Cape Long/Short Equity Fund

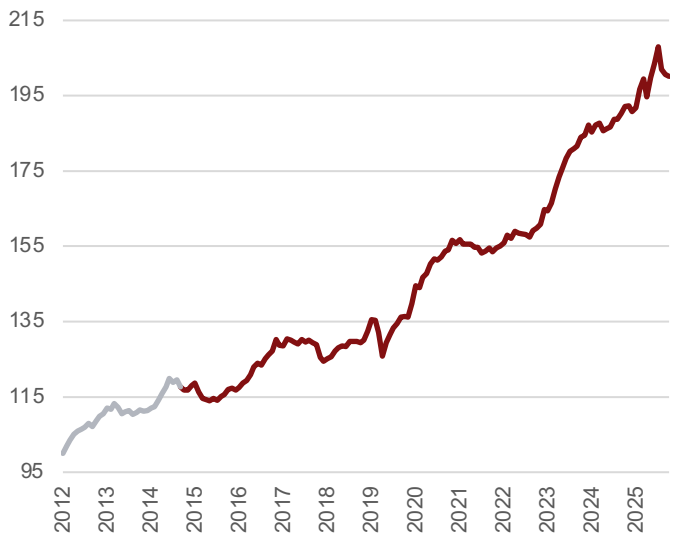
Cape Capital SICAV-SIF II

Fund strategy

The objective of the fund is to deliver sustainable long-term capital appreciation, predominantly through investments in a diversified portfolio of 8 to 15 long/short equity funds, managed by reputable investment managers.

The Fund provides exposure to the global equity markets, while offering downside protection in difficult market conditions by ensuring diversification across regions, sectors, and investment strategies.

Performance[1] (%)



Current month	YTD	1Y (p.a.)	3Y (p.a.)	5Y (p.a.)	Since inception
-0.25	4.43	4.19	7.80	5.38	100.22

Fund information

Date	30 September 2026
Current AUM	USD 289m
Fund type	SICAV-SIF
ISIN	LU1633134058
Bloomberg	CSCLUII LX Equity
Fund inception	03 August 2015
Minimum investment	USD 125,000
Available currency	USD
Subscription	Monthly / 10 business days
Redemption	Monthly / 23 business days
Management fee	0.50% p.a.
Fund domicile	Luxembourg
AIFM	MultiConcept Fund Management
Central administration	UBS Fund Administration Services Luxembourg S.A.
Auditor	PwC (Luxembourg)
Legal advisor	Arendt & Medernach
Depositary bank	UBS Europe SE, Luxembourg Branch

Fund statistics[1]

Return (%, annualised)	5.18
Volatility (%, annualised)	3.99
Max drawdown (%)	-7.19
Sharpe ratio	0.78
Risk free rate[2] (%, annualised)	2.09

Note: past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Please see page 2 for detailed share class information.

1. Monthly NAV from August 2015 fund inception as Cape Capital SICAV-SIF, since July 2017 as Cape Capital SICAV-SIF II. Previous track record (grey) is derived from composite returns of managed accounts since January 2013.
2. Risk free return is calculated as the annualised return of SOFR 3-month.

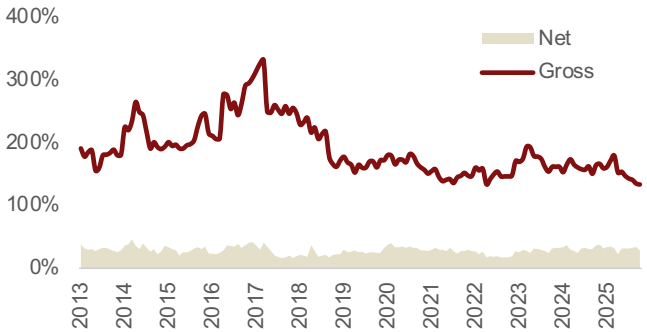
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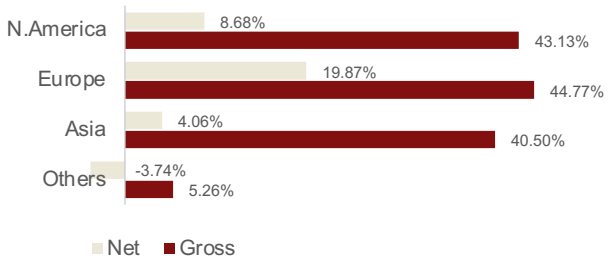
Top holdings

Fund	Weight (%)
Tyrus Special Situations	14.8
White Creek	13.0
MW Global Opportunities	12.6
CRM Long Short Opportunities	11.1
Alphacore Capital	11.1
Exposure	**%**
Gross Exposure (%)	133.66
Net Exposure (%)	28.87

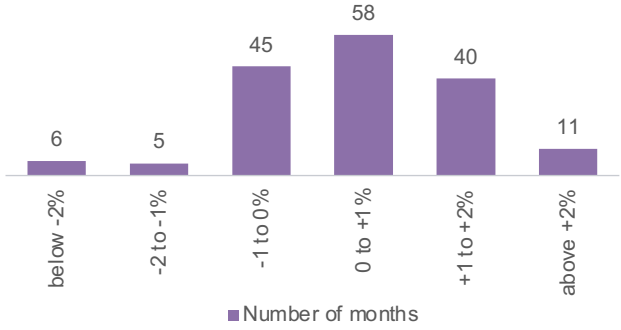
Equity Exposure (%)



Geographic Distribution (%)



Distribution of Returns (%)



All allocations are calculated based on notional exposure (excl. cash).
FX exposure refers to the currency denomination of the security.
The Total Expense Ratio (TER) presented in this document reflects final TER for the previous year.

Share class information

Share class	Bloomberg	ISIN	Inception	Fee p.a. (%)	TER (bp)	Current NAV
USD II	CSCLUII LX Equity	LU1633134058	03/08/2015	0.50	67.0	167.52

Investment returns[1]

in %	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2013	2.02	1.50	1.45	0.89	0.38	0.53	1.01	-0.82	1.42	1.11	0.63	1.30	12.01
2014	-0.29	1.45	-0.95	-1.52	0.45	0.26	-0.91	0.54	0.58	-0.29	0.20	0.49	-0.03
2015	0.35	1.51	1.73	1.45	1.86	-0.86	0.54	-1.51	-0.72	0.01	0.90	0.58	5.93
2016	-2.01	-1.39	-0.34	-0.23	0.60	-0.41	0.83	0.39	1.27	0.30	-0.53	0.58	-0.98
2017	1.04	0.58	1.32	1.70	0.77	-0.38	1.33	0.82	0.85	2.42	-1.25	-0.16	9.38
2018	1.54	-0.30	-0.31	-0.49	0.93	-0.44	0.30	-0.47	-0.38	-2.62	-0.89	0.64	-2.53
2019	0.33	1.26	0.68	0.35	-0.12	1.12	-0.06	0.05	-0.27	0.54	1.76	2.36	8.26
2020	-0.19	-2.38	-4.75	2.85	1.65	1.41	0.87	1.27	0.04	-0.07	2.61	3.38	6.59
2021	-0.35	1.93	0.70	1.70	0.87	-0.20	0.57	1.00	0.26	1.61	-0.52	0.63	8.48
2022	-0.75	-0.02	0.03	-0.55	-0.05	-0.98	0.32	0.60	-0.63	0.67	0.34	0.49	-0.53
2023	1.34	-0.57	1.25	-0.34	-0.11	-0.16	-0.45	1.10	0.45	0.59	2.52	-0.26	5.44
2024	1.21	2.29	1.94	1.23	1.56	1.07	0.38	0.32	1.36	0.22	1.45	-0.93	12.77
2025	0.94	0.27	-1.06	0.24	0.28	1.11	-0.03	0.84	1.01	0.11	-0.79	0.45	3.40
2026	2.58	1.44	-2.40	2.59	1.93	2.15	-2.89	-0.63	-0.25				4.43

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MONTHLY COMMENT – SEPTEMBER 2026

Cape Long/Short Equity Fund

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Equity markets

Global equities ended September modestly lower, with the Nasdaq at a record while most other major indices in the US, Europe and Asia fell between two and five per cent. A rally in artificial intelligence winners masked a broad sell-off in cyclical, consumer and rate-sensitive stocks as oil held above $100 and central banks tightened.

The Federal Reserve raised rates for the first time in three years and signalled more to come, sending Treasury yields to their highest in over two decades and dragging banks, property and small caps sharply lower; the equal-weight index had one of its worst months relative to the benchmark in years. Against that backdrop, the AI trade proved remarkably durable. Meta had its best month in more than a decade after launching Muse, its personal AI assistant, a launch that shifted attention from the cost of training frontier models to the broader demand that agentic products create for chips, memory and cloud capacity. Dell's record orders and Micron's upbeat outlook reinforced the point. Elsewhere, the strain of higher fuel costs showed: restaurants, carmakers, parcel carriers and trucking groups slumped, packaged-food companies posted steep declines after weak updates, and alternative asset managers sold off as deal activity cooled. Healthcare was volatile, with Stryker and Amgen falling heavily on company news before the sector rallied as an industry conference lifted confidence in tools and devices.

European equities posted their first monthly decline since the spring as an energy-driven inflation shock pushed the European Central Bank to hike and sent bond yields to multi-year highs, with French political risk adding a further layer of unease ahead of next year's presidential election. The damage was concentrated in autos and consumer names. BMW suffered a string of rating downgrades after repeated profit warnings, Stellantis fell on destocking concerns in North America, and Volkswagen's restructuring plan prompted only a muted recovery in its shares. Retail was mixed, with Inditex and Dunelm falling after soft results while H&M rallied on a clean beat. Pharma had a difficult month after Novartis absorbed three clinical-trial setbacks in a single week. Electrification remained one of the few areas of consistent strength, with Legrand rising on upgraded medium-term targets driven by data-centre demand. In the UK, homebuilders jumped late in the month on a new Help to Buy scheme, and oil majors benefited from crude holding above $100.

Asian markets slipped as surging oil prices revived inflation worries and the Bank of Japan raised rates to their highest in three decades, while China's economy continued to lose momentum and investors waited for Beijing to respond with stimulus. Korea and Taiwan were once again the region's engine room. SK Hynix and Samsung swung violently on each AI headline but ended higher, helped by reports of improved high-bandwidth memory yields, while MediaTek surged after Nvidia and Alphabet took stakes in the company. Japanese chip-equipment makers rallied on expanding memory capacity, though Nidec's sudden leadership crisis and Nintendo's disappointing product showcase showed that stock-specific risk cut both ways. Mainland benchmarks hit one-year lows as regulators turned their attention to internet platforms, and Shein's Hong Kong debut, trading below its offer price, captured the mood. President Xi's state visit to Washington extended the trade truce into January but delivered little on rare earths.

Hedge funds

September brought renewed losses, as a mid-month AI-driven drawdown and rising rates following the Federal Reserve’s hike weighed on markets. Global hedge funds lost 0.6% and long/short funds 1.5%, making September the first month this year in which long/short funds fell further than equities in a down market. Stock selection nonetheless improved. Shorts fell 3.9% against 2.4% for longs, reversing August’s short-side pain and lifting the year-to-date spread to 7.0%, back above its historical average. However, this was not enough to offset elevated net exposure. Dispersion remained wide, with the 25th-percentile long/short fund down 2.3% for the year.

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In the US, the drag from net exposure was clearest. Long/short funds lost 1.7% against a 0.4% fall in the S&P 500, with most of the damage coming after the negative AI headlines mid-month, as AI remains the largest weight in most portfolios. Managers rebuilt around 75% of the gross exposure cut in July and August, almost entirely through longs, with less than 30% of shorts added back. The re-grossing favoured quality over momentum, and, within AI, managers moved away from memory, now around 6% of global net exposure against 12% at its peak, towards hyperscalers and agentic AI.

In Europe, positioning was the bigger story. Long/short funds lost 1.7%, less than the 2.4% fall in the STOXX 600, with part of the loss coming from US holdings. Europe-based managers are now more overweight US versus European equities than at any point in more than five years. At home, selling moved from beta into well-owned momentum trades such as UK banks and semiconductors, leaving funds net short European momentum for the first time since 2022. Managers began trimming US longs during the month, an early sign that the tilt may be starting to ease.

In Asia, managers continued to reduce risk. Long/short funds lost 1.4% against a 0.2% fall in the MSCI Asia Pacific Index and now trail the index by 16 percentage points for the year. Managers showed no appetite to re-gross, with China exposure at its lowest since 2020 and no buying back into Korean and Taiwanese AI names. Japan's share of global gross fell by around 30 basis points, twice the August decline, with even Japanese semiconductors cut on both sides despite outperforming.

Overall, September showed alpha recovering while returns became more dependent on market direction. Re-grossing was concentrated in US longs, while net selling elsewhere came through short additions in Europe and Asia. The global long/short ratio fell to 1.94x, in the 13th percentile of the past five years, but US short books remain unusually light. With little short exposure to cushion further rate or AI shocks, the focus for managers has shifted from re-grossing to rebuilding hedges.

Macro and CTA strategies were again the strongest performers, and the only major strategy group to finish the month positive. Systematic trend-following managers led, as the US dollar strengthened against most major currencies on expectations that rates would stay higher for longer after the Federal Reserve's hike. Commodities were mixed, with oil rising strongly on continued uncertainty around the Iran conflict and global energy supplies, while gold and agricultural commodities declined. Trend followers captured these moves for a second consecutive month.

Event-driven strategies were broadly flat, with small declines in both special situations and merger arbitrage. Special situations managers were again held back by exposure to global, catalyst-driven fundamental value equities, although losses remained limited. Merger arbitrage slipped as equity markets declined through the month, after benefiting from continued deal activity in August.

Equity hedge strategies gave back part of their August recovery. Fundamental value managers were the main detractors, with losses concentrated in large-cap US and European equities, while fundamental growth managers declined more modestly on weakness in small-cap US and European names. Equity market-neutral strategies were the only part of the group to post gains, supported by mean-reverting, factor-based approaches. As in the long/short data, losses came mainly from market exposure, while more hedged approaches proved resilient.

Relative value arbitrage strategies were the weakest performers this month, with declines across both multi-strategy and convertible arbitrage managers. Multi-strategy managers were hurt as interest rates rose sharply, reversing their modest August gains. Convertible arbitrage strategies, which had benefited from lower volatility the previous month, declined as volatility increased through September. It was a difficult month for approaches usually relied upon for steadier returns when rates are volatile.

Cape Long/Short Equity Fund

In September, the Cape Long/Short Equity Fund returned -0.25%, outperforming both the equity hedge fund index and the broader equity markets. The Quant/Quantamental/Arbitrage segment detracted 0.19% and the Fundamental segment detracted 0.18%, while the Event-Driven segment was the only positive contributor, adding 0.12%.

This brought the fund's year-to-date return to 4.43%. Annualised volatility was unchanged at 3.99%. Over the month, net exposure fell from 34% to 29%, while gross exposure edged down from 135% to 134%. Six of the eleven funds had negative returns in September.

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The largest positive performer this month was:

White Creek Fund (1.23% return at 13.05% weight) was the strongest performer in September, delivering a positive return as European equities fell. Performance came almost entirely from the short book, which contributed 2.1% as positions recovered from the July short squeeze, with Allwyn the largest contributor. The long book was broadly flat. Meta was the largest long contributor, and life-sciences names Thermo Fisher and Sartorius Stedim Biotech also added. These gains were offset by Greek holdings Public Power Corporation and GEK Terna, as rising bond yields weighed on utilities and infrastructure. Portfolio hedges cost 0.55%. Financials remain the largest net sector exposure, followed by healthcare and utilities. Greece is the largest country position at 22% net long, in line with the fund's overall net exposure, as shorts and index hedges offset the rest of the book. Gross exposure ended the month at 178%, with net exposure at 22%. The fund is up 10.1% year to date.

The two main negative performers this month were:

Cooper Creek North American Long Short Fund (-3.75% return at 7.22% weight) was the largest detractor for a third consecutive month. This time, the loss came from the long book, which fell 7.5%, while shorts contributed 3.8%. The Russell 2000 dropped a further 5.3% as rising Treasury yields hit rate-sensitive and cyclical small and mid caps. Industrials were the main source of weakness, costing 2.4%, followed by energy and consumer staples, while retail, gaming/lodging and business services contributed positively. Mid caps, where the fund is most net long, detracted 4.0%, while large-cap shorts added 0.6% and small caps were broadly flat. Towards quarter-end, the manager re-underwrote its industrial book, exiting 13 names and concentrating on higher-conviction positions. Gross exposure ended the month at 177%, with net exposure at 15%. After three difficult months, the fund is down 0.3% year to date.

Callodine Capital Offshore Fund (-3.68% return at 3.55% weight) was the second-worst performer, giving back some of its gains from July and August. The long book cost 7.6%, while shorts added 4.0%. The sharp rise in Treasury yields and the Federal Reserve's hike weighed on the rate-sensitive, income-oriented names the fund owns, while its technology shorts were a small drag as the AI complex held up. Financials were the largest detractor, followed by real estate and MLPs, with mega caps the weakest size bucket. Utilities, healthcare and consumer staples made small positive contributions, and non-US North American shorts also helped. Gross exposure finished at 172%, with net exposure at 34%. The fund is up 4.9% year to date.

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