# NCM Small Companies Class

For investors seeking long-term, above average growth who can tolerate medium to high risk levels.

A Canadian small cap equity fund focusing on fast-growing companies trading at reasonable valuations in an asset class that has historically outperformed.

### **PERFORMANCE**

8.2%

27.2%

### 1 yr 3 yr 3 mos 6 mos 5 yr 10 vr 15vr Inception 1 mos F -3.4% -5.3% 0.6% 15.3% 8.2% 13.0% 6.4% 8.2% 8.5% Α -3.5% -5.5% 0.2% 14.3% 11.9% 5.3% 7.1% 9.7% 7.1%

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
F	-	-	-	34.6%1	19.5%	17.3%	-51.9%	64.6%	32.5%	-7.0%
Α	12.2%²	45.8%	23.5%	33.9%	18.6%	16.4%	-52.1%	60.5%	31.4%	-7.9%
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
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F	9.4%	28.4%	2.2%	-3.5%	10.2%	7.3%	-12.1%	17.5%	12.2%	22.9%

9.1%

6.2%

1. 2005 return begins with Jan 31 inception 2. 2002 return begins with Feb 15 inception

-13.0%

16.2%

11.0%

21.9%

NAV/Share: F Series: \$79.64 | A Series: \$64.73

### **VALUE OF \$10.000 INVESTED AT INCEPTION**

1.1%

-4.6%



### **FUND OVERVIEW**

MANAGEMENT TEAM					
Alex Sasso, CFA Chief Executive Officer and Portfolio Manager					
Fund Codes	NRP 200 (F) NRP 201 (A-FE)				
Net Assets	\$100.2 Million				
Inception F Series A Series	January 31, 2005 February 15, 2002				
CIFSC Category	Canadian Small/Mid Cap Equity				
Distribution	Annual				
Management For Series A Series	ee 1.00%* 2.00%*				
Benchmark Index	S&P/TSX Small Cap Index				
Portfolio Manager	NCM Asset Management Ltd.				
Auditor	KPMG LLP				
Custodian	CIBC Mellon Trust Company				
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### **RISK RATING**



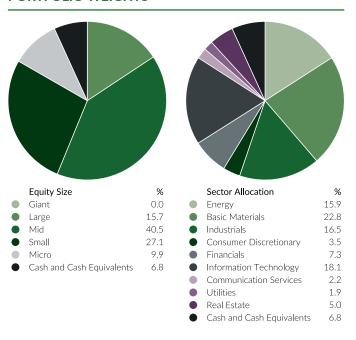
Rating based on change in fund's returns from year to year. See simplified prospectus for more.

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- Disciplined Canadian small and mid cap equity fund utilizing NCM's proven investment methodology.
- Focuses on growing companies trading at reasonable valuations in an asset class that has historically outperformed.
- Utilizes both deep fundamental and quantitative analysis to create a portfolio of businesses with attractive attributes.

### **PORTFOLIO WEIGHTS**



### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

(alphabetical)

Alamos Gold Inc
Alaris Equity Partners Income
BMO Junior Gold Index ETF
Boyd Group Services Inc
CES Energy Solutions Corp
Descartes Systems Group Inc/The
FirstService Corp
K92 Mining Inc
Major Drilling Group International Inc
TECSYS Inc
Weight of Top 10 - 45.3%

### **PORTFOLIO POSITIONS**

Equity Positions	30
Active Share	92%

Active share measures the degree to which a fund's equity holdings differ from the benchmark; a fund with an active share of 100% is completely different from the benchmark. What can be considered a strong active share can vary by investment style and benchmark composition.

### **KEY METRICS**

Beta	0.89
Correlation	0.95
Standard Deviation	14.7%
Sharpe Ratio	0.56

Time Period: 3 Year. Beta represents the tendency of the fund's return to respond to the benchmark; a lower value indicates less market risk. Correlation measures how the fund moves in relation to the benchmark: +1 is a perfect positive correlation. Standard Deviation is a measure of volatility; it shows how the Fund's returns have varied over a given time period. Sharpe Ratio measures the performance of an investment after adjusting for its risk.

### **PORTFOLIO ATTRIBUTES**

	Trailing Price/ Earnings	Trailing Return on Equity	3 Year EPS Growth	Free Cash Flow Yield
NCM Small Companies	30.3x	18.6%	22.0%	8.8%
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	21.4x	11.4%	6.3%	6.9%

Source: FactSet, February 28, 2025

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