



# AB MANAGED VOLATILITY EQUITIES - GREEN

## INVESTMENT RETURN OBJECTIVE

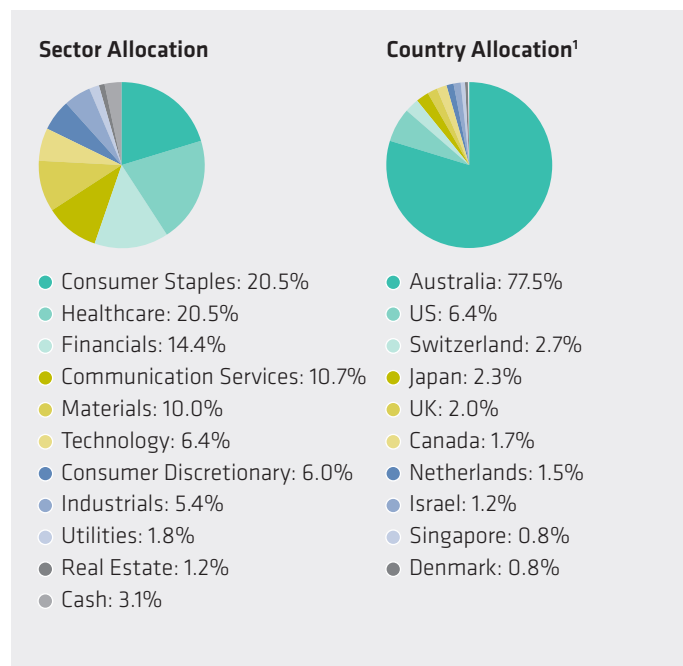
The MVE-Green Class aims to achieve returns that exceed the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index after fees over the medium to long term and to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions associated with its portfolio holdings.

## WHO SHOULD CONSIDER INVESTING IN THIS CLASS?

The MVE-Green Class is designed for equity investors seeking:

- + Lower volatility
- + Reduced downside risk in falling equity markets
- + The potential for long-term capital growth and some income, including franked Australian dividend income
- + An investment which aims to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions associated with its portfolio holdings

## CLASS STRUCTURE



Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

- + Having made reasonable enquiries, we are not aware of any companies with a primary business in carbon capture and storage, nuclear technology or nuclear power in the current portfolio holdings of the MVE - Green Class as at the date of this monthly fact sheet.

## CLASS PERFORMANCE AS AT OCTOBER 31, 2021

	Gross Fund Returns	Total Returns	Growth Returns	Distribution Returns	Benchmark Returns <sup>2</sup>	Relative Returns
1 month	(0.87)%	(0.90)%	(0.90)%	0.00%	0.10%	(1.00)%
3 month	0.13%	0.03%	0.03%	0.00%	0.77%	(0.74)%
FYTD	2.15%	2.01%	2.01%	0.00%	1.89%	0.12%
1 year	14.96%	14.49%	8.37%	6.12%	28.57%	(14.08)%
2 year	5.43%	4.99%	1.03%	3.96%	8.81%	(3.81)%
Since Inception <sup>3</sup>	12.04%	11.56%	7.86%	3.70%	14.36%	(2.80)%

See Performance Figures disclosures.

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS (% TOTAL NET ASSETS)

Stock Name	Portfolio	Index
Sonic Healthcare	5.0	0.9
Coles Group	4.9	1.1
Telstra	4.9	2.1
ResMed	4.8	0.7
Medibank	4.4	0.4
Woolworths	3.3	2.1
Westpac Banking	2.9	4.4
Amcor	2.8	0.6
Wesfarmers	2.8	3.0
CSL	2.7	6.3
<b>Total number of stocks</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>295</b>

## KEY FACTS

Lead Portfolio Manager	Roy Maslen
Inception date	December 19, 2018
Class size	A\$44,107,900
Minimum investment	A\$500,000
Entry/Exit fee	None
Buy/Sell spread	0.25%/0.25%
Management fee	0.35% p.a.
ICR <sup>4</sup>	0.41% p.a.
Distribution frequency	Quarterly

1 Australia exposure is comprised of ASX-listed securities

2 S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index

3 MVE-Green Class Inception: December 19, 2018

4 Indirect Cost Ratio (ICR). Financial year-to-date, annualised. The ICR includes a 0.06% p.a. accrual made for our estimate of the carbon credit cost

## AB MANAGED VOLATILITY EQUITIES - GREEN

### Monthly Fact Sheet

#### CLASS REVIEW

- + In October, the MVE – Green Class underperformed its benchmark, the S&P/ASX 300 Index, which was up 0.10% in Australian-dollar terms.

#### DETRACTORS

- + For October, both sector and stock selection had a negative impact on relative returns. Stock selection within financials detracted the most, followed by an overweight to the consumer-staples sector—though stock selection within this sector contributed, mitigating losses. Stock selection within materials also added to returns.
- + Private health insurer Medibank detracted as New South Wales eased its pandemic-driven lockdowns.
- + Not holding financial-services provider Macquarie detracted after reporting first-quarter FY:22 results above expectations. The company took advantage of this performance to raise its equity.
- + New Zealand telecom company Spark New Zealand underperformed for the month, along with a broader sell-off across the communication-services sector.

#### CONTRIBUTORS

- + Medical equipment manufacturer ResMed outperformed late in the month after the company released a quarterly earnings update that far exceeded analyst expectations.
- + US-based cloud product and service provider Oracle contributed. Its stock price rose after e-commerce company Shopify added customer access to Oracle NetSuite, a cloud-based business platform, potentially increasing Oracle's share of a market dominated by Amazon Web Services. In addition, Microsoft's October acquisition of Clear Software, which automates business processes, will enhance connectivity between Microsoft and Oracle applications. Oracle's share price has risen substantially in 2021.
- + Gold producer Northern Star Resources contributed as gold prices surged.

#### CLASS CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

- + During the month, we exited our position in New Zealand utility company Mercury. It is the most expensive of New Zealand's power generators and retailers, and we took profits after three years of strong performance.
- + We bought shares in financial services software company IRESS, attracted by its positive momentum.
- + We added a position in IPH Limited, a provider of patents and other intellectual property services and products. We are attracted by the company's steady growth, stable base of business, good free cash flow and opportunities to expand through roll-up acquisitions.

#### Performance Figures

In Australian Dollars. Numbers may not sum due to rounding. The Total, Growth and Distribution Returns of the Fund are net of fees and costs and do not allow for tax or inflation. Performance is calculated in accordance with the Financial Services Council Standard No. 6 using the relevant end of month Exit Prices and assumes that income is re-invested and that the investment is held for the full period. The performance figures are historical and past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance. The information above may change.

AllianceBernstein Investment Management Australia Limited (ABN 58 007 212 606, AFSL 230 683) ("ABIMAL") is the responsible entity of AllianceBernstein Managed Volatility Equities Fund (ARSN 099 739 447) ("Fund") and is the issuer of units in the Fund. AB Managed Volatility Equities - Green ("MVE-Green Class") is a unit class of the Fund. ABIMAL has appointed AllianceBernstein Australia Limited ("ABAL") (ABN 53 095 022 718, AFSL 230 698) as the investment manager of the MVE-Green Class. ABAL in turn has delegated a portion of the investment manager function to AllianceBernstein L.P. The MVE-Green Class's Information Memorandum ("IM") is available by contacting the client services team at AllianceBernstein Australia Limited at (02) 9255 1299. Investors should consider the IM in deciding to acquire, or continue to hold, units in the MVE-Green Class.

This information is for exclusive use of the wholesale person to whom it is provided and not to be relied upon by any other person. It is not intended for retail or public use and may not be further distributed without the prior written consent of ABAL.

Information, forecasts and opinions set out in this document are not personal advice and have not been prepared for any recipient's specific investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs. Neither this document nor the information contained in it are intended to take the place of professional advice. Please note that past performance is not indicative of future performance and projections, although based on current information, may not be realised. Information, forecasts and opinions ("Information") can change without notice and neither ABIMAL or ABAL guarantees the accuracy of the information at any particular time. Although care has been exercised in compiling the information contained in this report, neither ABIMAL or ABAL warrants that this document is free from errors, inaccuracies or omissions.

This document is released by AllianceBernstein Australia Limited ABN 53 095 022 718, AFSL 230 698.

