# Handelsbanken Hälsovård Tema (A1 NOK)

The fund is actively managed and invests globally in equities issued by companies within the healthcare sector. As a result, the fund has a currency exposure to these markets. The healthcare sector refers to the pharmaceutical, medical technology, biotech, service and other healthcare-related branches. The thematic investment strategy provides for investments that occur in a limited area in which development is deemed to result in a structural change to the economy and society. This change provides favorable conditions for companies active within the area to create profitable growth over time. The fund is reported as an Article 9 fund pursuant to EU regulation 2019/2088 on sustainabilityrelated disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

#### **Performance**

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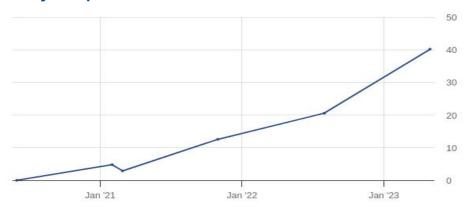
YTD	1 week	1 mth.	3 mån	1 year	5 years	10 years
26.30%	0.69%	0.40%	8.74%	22.75%	127.02%	382.17%

## Average performance

Average. perf.	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years
Fund <sup>1</sup>	19.16%	13.94%	17.83%	16.85%
Index <sup>2</sup>	16.03%	13.05%	16.20%	15.45%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculated on the fund's monthly closing price

## Five years performance



### **Portfolio**



97.97% Bonds and Cash 2.03% As of: 31.07.2024

United States 64 56% Denmark 9 62% United Kingdom 5.88% Japan 5.30% Switzerland 4.96% France 2 85% Sweden 2 53% Belgium 1.40% Germany 1.19% Other 1 71% As of: 31 07 2024

#### Portfolio manager comments — Q2 2024P

Fund performance was positive in Q2 and the fund rose close to 2% in SEK, benefitting in particular from the holdings in Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk and Zealand Pharma, which rose sharply after the major breakthrough made by the obesity drugs. Zealand Pharma published results at the end of the quarter from a Phase 1 study for its drug candidate Petrelintide that showed a weight loss of -8.6% after 16 weeks, which contributed to a

## **Fund manager**



#### **Christopher Sundman**

Experience in the fund industry 1987. Portfolio Manager since 1 August 2022.

Main category **Equity Fund** Risk

Rate 513.55 (23.08.2024)

Reporting Currency NOK Price/Trade Daily \*\*\*\* Total Rating™

Minimum investment 0 NOK Monthly savings Traded on the Internet Management Fee 1.5% Entry charge 0% Exit charge 0%

Fund assets 22,470 MSEK

Distribution per fund unit Distribution date

Fund, date of launch 01.12.2000 Share class, date of launch 02 03 2015

## Largest holdings

Eli Lilly and Co	8.23%
UnitedHealth Group Inc	8.01%
Novo Nordisk A/S Class B	7.86%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	5.25%
Merck & Co Inc	4.94%
AstraZeneca PLC	4.26%
Johnson & Johnson	3.82%
AbbVie Inc	3.61%
Amgen Inc	3.23%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc	2.97%

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Benchmark index: Solactive ISS ESG DM Health Care UCITS Index NTR. The information in the table refers to the benchmark index valid at any given time. In the event the fund has previously had other benchmark indexes, this information can be found in the fund's annual report.

strong share price upturn of just over 20%.

Three of the fund's holdings, Shockwave Medical, Alpine Immune and Calliditas, were acquired at a significant premium during the quarter. We believe the acquisition activity among several major pharmaceutical companies can continue as a result of the declining interest rates and the need for companies to supplement the pipeline after patent expirations to ensure further growth. The fund has a number of smaller positions in exciting research companies that can be interesting for acquisitions if they attain their research targets.

On the negative side, Thermo Fisher posted weaker performance after the competitor Sartorius reported weak results and outlooks for 2024. Dexcom, which posted relatively strong performance in Q1, also showed slightly weaker performance after publishing full-year guidance that was below market expectations.

Returns thus far have been very strong in both absolute and relative terms. We expect the positive performance to continue given that several interesting study results are expected throughout the remainder of the year and the long-term needs for healthcare worldwide are significant.

As of: 11.07.2024

Historical yields are not a guarantee of future returns. A fund can both increase and decrease in value and it is not guaranteed that you will recover the entire invested amount. Note that a fund with risk level 5-7, as stated in the fund's fact sheet (KID), can vary greatly in value due to the fund's composition and management methodology. The prospectus, fund rules and KID are available under each fund. Summary of investors' rights.

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