

Key Information

Total Assets*	£249.3m
Long term gearing ^{††}	
(Currently largely offset by cash and gilts)	26%
No. of Shares [†] (Ordinary 25p)	51,992,916
Net Asset Value [†]	376.7p
Net Asset Value (debt at Market Value) [†]	350.9p
Discount to NAV [†]	22.6%
Discount to NAV (debt at Market Value) [†]	16.9%
Share price*	291.5p
Gross Yield*	2.8%
Year end	30th November

* Source: Datastream as at 31.03.05

† Source: Allianz Global Investors as at 31.03.05

Investment trusts are quoted companies listed on the London Stock Exchange. Their share price is determined by factors including demand, or lack of, which means that the shares may trade below (at a discount to) or above (at a premium to) the underlying net asset value.

In line with industry best practice, Net Asset Values (NAVs) are now shown that take into account the 'fair value' of debt. NAVs – namely available shareholders' funds divided by the number of shares in issue, with shareholders' funds calculated as the net value of all the company's assets having deducted liabilities – are now calculated after allowing for the valuation of debt at fair value or current market price, rather than at final repayment value. Most professional advisers and institutional investors already allow for fair value of debt when assessing NAV and discount information, so this change provides private investors with information which takes into account a more realistic impact of the cost of debt and thus a more realistic discount.

††Source: Datastream as at 31.03.05

Please also refer to Trust Aim & Characteristics, opposite.

INCOME 

GROWTH 

Investment Scheme Availability

ISA 

SS 

PEP 

Fund Managers



Mark Lovett
(UK)



Nersen Pillay
(Overseas)

The Brunner Investment Trust PLC

Fund Managers' Six Monthly Review

Over the last six months global equity markets have produced strong absolute returns. The general health of the global economy has remained good with the high level of corporate profitability indicating that companies are making money and continuing to reinvest in growth for the future.

From a sector perspective some of the strongest growth has come from commodity and mining, where strong demand from China and higher oil prices have meant raw material prices have increased significantly. The main beneficiaries of this were Canadian Natural Resources, who specialise in oil and natural gas exploration and production, and BHP Billiton, the diversified mining and oil company. Similarly Arch Coal was a solid performer benefiting from the supply squeeze in the global coal market and demand from the world's top consumer, China, where coal accounts for about two-thirds of national energy needs. We expect this demand to expand over the next few years as more power stations, most of which will be coal-fired, are built.

The most significant drag on the portfolio's performance came from the holding in Biogen-Idec (pharmaceutical). At the end of February Biogen and its partner Elan Corp (not a holding) voluntarily announced they would suspend the distribution of its Multiple Sclerosis drug Tysabri (previously known as Antegren). This led to a sharp fall in projected earnings which in turn caused a fall in the share price. We have however maintained our exposure to Biogen as expected risk-adjusted returns from the existing drug portfolio, including cancer drug Rituxan and MS therapy Avonex, remain positive and offer upside from current levels.

Looking to the future the portfolio remains diversified across major sectors and markets and we continue to be focused on high conviction stock ideas around the globe. We remain underweight in North America favouring instead stocks in the Asia-Pacific region and Europe. We continue to believe that many growth stocks are now trading at compelling valuations relative to value stocks.

Top 10 Holdings

	%
Treasury 4.5% 7/3/07	9.96
HSBC	3.24
BP	3.07
Royal Bank of Scotland	2.76
Vodafone	2.74
GlaxoSmithKline	2.59
Barclays	2.08
BHP Billiton	1.96
BG	1.88
Shell Transport and Trading	1.64
TOTAL	31.92

Source: Allianz Global Investors as at 31.03.05

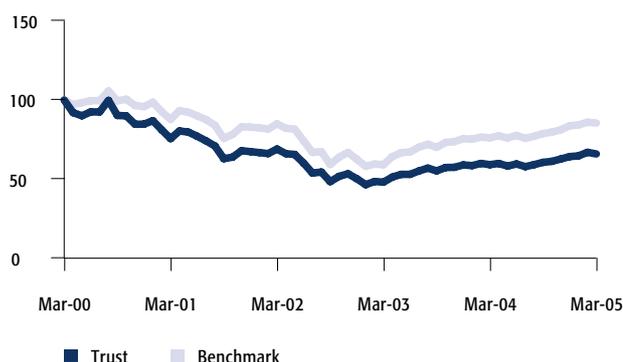
Geographical Breakdown

United Kingdom	46.78%
Cash	17.52%
North America	16.24%
Europe	10.52%
Asia	5.06%
Pacific ex. Japan	3.88%

Source: Allianz Global Investors as at 31.03.05
Changes in rates of exchange may cause the value of investments and the income from them to go down or up.

Fund Performance

31.03.00 to 31.03.05



Source: Russell/Mellon/Allianz Global Investors. 31st March 00 to 31st March 05, Total Return, net income reinvested, calculation indexed. UK Sterling. Please remember that past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market or currency fluctuations and you may not get back the amount originally invested. This investment trust charges 70% of its annual management fee to the capital account and 30% to revenue. This could lead to a higher level of income but a lower capital return.

Standardised Past Performance

From to	01/04/00 31/03/01	01/04/01 31/03/02	01/04/02 31/03/03	01/04/03 31/03/04	01/04/04 31/03/05
Share Price	-25.1%	-14.0%	-33.8%	19.5%	14.0%

Source: Allianz Global Investors/Standard & Poor's. Discrete years, mid to mid, basic rate tax, based in UK sterling. These Standardised Past Performance figures are produced for the purposes of these fact sheets and are intended for existing and potential investors. The above performance table differs in its presentation from Fund Performance, and complies with the Financial Services Authority's regulations to enable investors to compare different products from different providers.

Trust Aim & Characteristics

To increase the Trust's total return above the benchmark index of 60% FTSE All-Share and 40% FT/S&P World Index (ex UK sterling adjusted) over the long term. This objective will be achieved by investing in UK and international securities and by using appropriate gearing to enhance returns. The strategy of the Trust is designed to meet the requirements of those seeking a single investment in a diversified and professionally managed portfolio.

††Brunner seeks to enhance returns for its shareholders through gearing, in the form of bank borrowings, to buy more investments. Gearing can boost the Trust's returns when investments perform well, though losses can be magnified when investments do badly. You should be aware that this Trust may be subject to sudden and large falls in value and you could suffer substantial capital loss.

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AITC Sector

Global Growth.

Benchmark

60% FTSE All-Share Index and 40% FT/S&P World Index (ex UK).

Share Buybacks

The Trust is committed to repurchasing Ordinary shares, where market conditions are suitable, in order to enhance shareholder value. As at 31st March 2005, 12.1m shares have been repurchased for cancellation.

History

The Brunner Investment Trust PLC was formed from the Brunner family's interest in the sale of Brunner, Mond & Co, the largest of the four companies which came to form ICI in 1926. The Trust has been managed by Allianz Global Investors (formerly Kleinwort Benson and now part of Allianz AG) since inception.

Launch Date: 1927.

Wind-up Date: None.

Price Information

Financial Times and The Daily Telegraph
www.allianzglobalinvestors.co.uk

Trust Codes

ISIN – GB0001490001
Sedol – 0149000
RIC – BUT

Shareholder Communications

Report and Accounts – Final posted in February, and Interim posted in July.
Annual General Meeting – March.
Dividends – March and August

Board of Directors

Keith Percy (Chairman), Ben Siddons, William Worsley, Richard Wakeling, Vivian Bazalgette, Keith Percy

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