

## Artisan Global Discovery Fund

# MONTHLY Commentary

Artisan Partners Global Funds plc

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## Commentary

The MSCI AC World Index returned 4.1% in May, bringing the QTD total to 0.6%. Markets rebounded in May after a challenging April as investors breathed a sigh of relief that US economic activity was not running too hot to allow for easing inflationary pressures. Early in the month, yields on US Treasurys decreased after April nonfarm payrolls grew by 175,000, well below the 240,000 forecast. Furthermore, after multiple months of inflation readings that were ahead of expectations, consumer prices rose 0.3% in April, in line with the forecast.

Our portfolio underperformed the MSCI AC World Index in May and is trailing for the QTD period. Among our top detractors were Saia and Veeva Systems. Saia operates in less-than-truckload shipping, a structurally attractive area of transportation that features several solid franchise characteristics supported by real estate assets and network advantages. Given high expectations heading into the earnings release, a narrow miss that was largely attributed to macro weakness sent shares falling. However, we continue to feel confident going forward as industry pricing remains rational, the company continues to grow its terminal count (15–20 additions this year), the bankruptcy of Yellow (a key competitor) in August 2023 has left a void in the market and the valuation remains attractive, in our view.

Veeva Systems has the dominant CRM platform for pharmaceutical sales and marketing organizations, and it is replicating that success with the rollout of numerous other modules focused on pharmaceutical R&D departments. Shares sold off after management slightly lowered its 2024 forward guidance due to macroeconomic uncertainty weighing on small-and medium-sized businesses and disruption in large enterprises that are currently focused on artificial intelligence plans. We continue to view Veeva as a premier franchise whose growth can reaccelerate over time as its clinical software and data products reach mass adoption by the pharmaceutical industry.

Among our top contributors were Tyler Technologies and Twist Bioscience. Tyler Technologies provides end-to-end information management solutions and services for local government offices throughout the US, Canada, Puerto Rico and the UK. We believe the company will generate durable growth given its defensive end markets, the potential of its cloud subscription transition (it just started transitioning legacy on-premises customers in 2019) and the transformative acquisition of NIC (a leading digital government solutions and payments company) that allows for increased cross-sell opportunities. Earnings results were thesis affirming, including 9% growth in overall revenues, 22% in SaaS revenues and 9% in annual recurring revenue.

Twist Bioscience is a life sciences company with a proprietary silicon-based platform for writing DNA. Synthetic biology is used by biotech companies looking to extend drug discovery and development capabilities as well as diagnostics companies developing methods of detecting diseases at earlier stages. Other applications include creating disease-resistant food crops and the creation of biofuels as alternatives to fossil fuels. Synthetic biology is a large and rapidly growing market, and we believe Twist is currently in the pole position. Shares outperformed after reporting strong earnings results, including growth of 25% for revenues and 48% for orders. We added to the position.

## Portfolio Details

Net Asset Value (NAV) <sup>1</sup>	\$21.28
Base Currency	USD
Class I Management Fee	0.90%
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## Top 10 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Tyler Technologies Inc (United States)	4.5
Melrose Industries PLC (United Kingdom)	3.3
London Stock Exchange Group PLC (United Kingdom)	3.1
Argenx SE (Belgium)	3.0
MACOM Technology Solutions Holdings Inc (United States)	2.9
Lattice Semiconductor Corp (United States)	2.6
adidas AG (Germany)	2.5
Gerresheimer AG (Germany)	2.5
Techtronic Industries Co Ltd (Hong Kong)	2.5
Spotify Technology SA (United States)	2.4
TOTAL	29.3%

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI.

#### Sector Diversification (% of portfolio securities)

	Fund	ACWI1
Communication Services	4.9	7.8
Consumer Discretionary	7.6	10.4
Consumer Staples	2.9	6.4
Energy	0.0	4.4
Financials	6.5	16.0
Health Care	18.3	10.9
Industrials	24.3	10.6
Information Technology	35.5	24.4
Materials	0.0	4.2
Real Estate	0.0	2.1
Utilities	0.0	2.7
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Artisan Partners/GICS/MSCI. Cash and cash equivalents represented 4.8% of the total portfolio. <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index.

Investment Results (%)					Αν	rerage Annual Total Returi	ns	
As of 31 May 2024	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Class I USD—Inception: 21 Aug 2017	2.41	-2.83	5.40	18.22	-1.52	11.41	_	11.79
MSCI All Country World Index (USD)	4.06	0.63	8.88	23.56	5.12	11.68	_	9.76
Class I NOK (Hedged)—Inception: 03 Feb 2020	2.27	-3.11	4.66	15.71	-3.79	_	_	5.83
MSCI All Country World Index (NOK)	-1.32	-2.59	12.58	16.44	13.61	_	_	13.19
Class I EUR—Inception: 02 Feb 2023	0.71	-3.34	7.22	16.51	_	_	_	9.60
MSCI All Country World Index (EUR)	2.49	0.11	10.79	21.34	_	_	_	16.56
Annual Returns (%) Trailing 12 months ended	31 March			2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Class I USD				3.45	64.39	0.53	-10.60	17.55

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

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## Region/Country Allocation (% of portfolio securities)

REGION	Fund	ACWI1
AMERICAS	62.9	66.4
United States	62.9	63.7
EUROPE	31.2	15.4
United Kingdom	10.6	3.5
Germany	9.5	2.0
Denmark	3.8	0.9
Belgium	3.2	0.2
Switzerland	1.9	2.2
Sweden	1.3	0.8
Italy	0.9	0.7
PACIFIC BASIN	3.8	7.8
Hong Kong	2.6	0.4
Singapore	1.2	0.3
EMERGING MARKETS	1.1	10.2
Brazil	1.1	0.5
MIDDLE EAST	0.9	0.2
Israel	0.9	0.2

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index. Countries held in the index, but not held in the portfolio, are not listed.

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#### Identifiers

TOTAL

Class/Currency	ISIN	SEDOL	Minimum Investment
Class I USD	IE00BF2VV687	BF2VV68	\$500,000
Class I EUR	IE00BF2VV794	BF2VV79	€500,000
Class I GBP	IE00BF2VV802	BF2VV80	£500,000
Class I NOK (Hedged)	IE00BG0WJF59	BG0WJF5	kr5,000,000

## Team Leadership (Pictured left to right)











Portfolio Managers

Jason White, CFA (Lead)	24
James Hamel, CFA	27
Matthew Kamm, CFA	24
Craigh Cepukenas, CFA	35
Jay Warner, CFA	22

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