

# City of Gainesville Employees' Pension Plan Fund

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*International Growth*

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# Developments at Baillie Gifford

## Our relationship

Appointed

- October 2009

Valuation as at August 31, 2021

- \$96,875,867

## Firm update

Increase in staff attendance at Edinburgh office whilst continuing to work flexibly

13 trainee investors joined in September

New Private Companies Fund launching in October 2021

New US Mutual Funds: China Equites and US Discovery



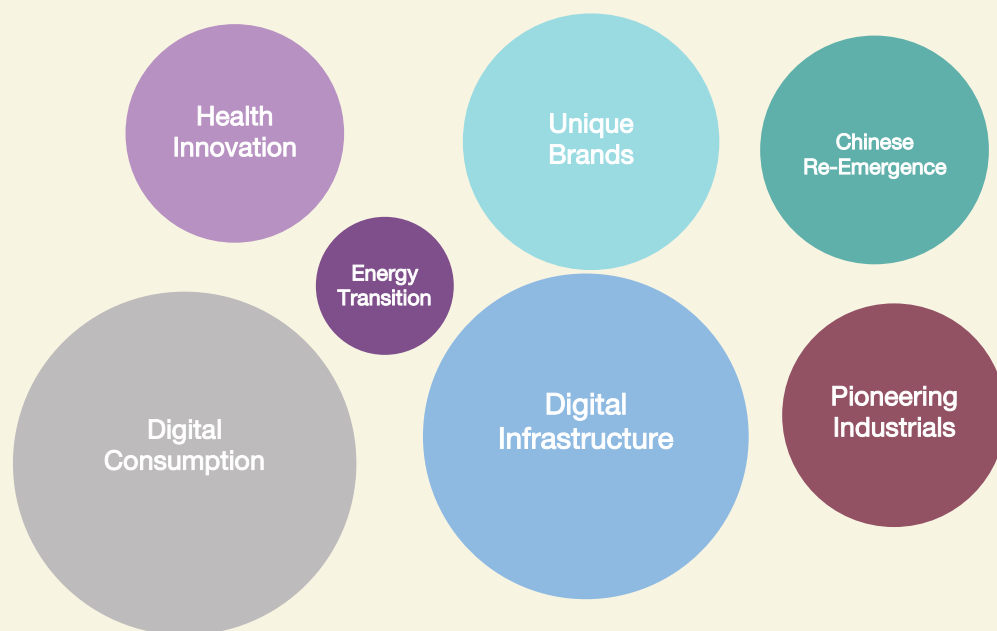
## Portfolio holdings

20%		40%		26%		13%	
>10 YEARS		5-10 YEARS		2-5 YEARS		<2 YEARS	
Holding	%	Holding	%	Holding	%	Holding	%
Tencent	4.9	ASML	7.2	Meituan	5.0	Adyen	4.1
Kering	4.5	MercadoLibre	5.0	Spotify	3.1	Argenx	1.5
L'Oréal	2.3	Zalando	4.6	NIO	2.3	Afterpay	1.3
Atlas Copco	2.1	Ferrari	3.8	HelloFresh	2.2	EXOR	1.1
Inditex	1.9	Alibaba	3.7	Umicore	2.0	TSMC	1.0
SMC	1.5	M3	3.6	Nidec Corporation	2.0	Vestas Wind Systems	1.0
Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing	0.9	Genmab	2.7	Delivery Hero	2.0	WuXi Biologics	0.9
Aixtron	0.7	AIA	2.0	Wix.com	2.0	WiseTech Global	0.7
Novozymes	0.7	Ocado	1.7	Sartorius Group	1.3	Oatly	0.7
HDFC	0.4	Kinnevik	1.1	Ambu	1.2	Xero	0.6
		Stellantis	0.9	Ping An Insurance	1.2	CureVac	0.4
		SoftBank Group	0.7	Temenos	1.1		
		TAL Education	0.6	Adevinta	0.3		
		Schibsted	0.5				
		SBI Holdings	0.5				
		Pan Pacific International	0.5				
		Morphosys	0.3				
		Pigeon	0.2				
		Chr Hansen	0.1				

As at June 30, 2021. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Cash = 1.7%.  
Holding weights and periods based on Baillie Gifford International Growth Fund.  
Notable transactions shown 12 months to June 30, 2021. **NB** New Buy **+** Addition **-** Reduction.

# Portfolio insights

Our portfolio insights analysis is a subjective representation of the various investment themes present in the portfolio. The diagram is an output of our bottom-up stock selection, and not the result of a top down asset allocation. We classify each stock in the portfolio into a maximum of three themes out of the seven possible. We then calculate a weighted average of its holding size in the portfolio. The size of each circle reflects the sum of the weighted averages of the underlying stocks. This thematic analysis represents the underlying growth trends in the economy we are excited about both today and going forward. We believe representing the portfolio in this way is more insightful than looking at standard industry or sector classifications.



Source: Baillie Gifford & Co.

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Based on an illustrative portfolio.

The holdings used to produce the above diagram are based on an illustrative portfolio and may differ from the portfolio shown elsewhere in this document.

## Health innovation

Computing power and genetic sequencing are transforming the healthcare industry. Treatment methods and business models will change radically.

## Energy transition

We are entering a fourth energy transition driven by renewables. The variable cost of electricity will fall towards zero and disrupt traditional energy sources.

## Unique brands

Groups providing these unique brands should benefit from rising consumption in many developing markets and increased spending by the affluent.

## Chinese re-emergence

The scale and speed of China's economic growth continue to amaze. Education, urbanisation and technological innovation suggest the outlook remains bright.

## Digital infrastructure

The companies in this theme provide the 'picks and shovels' facilitating digitisation in many sectors of the economy.

## Digital consumption

Customers' behaviours are changing. Digitally native companies are driving the rapid adoption of online services.

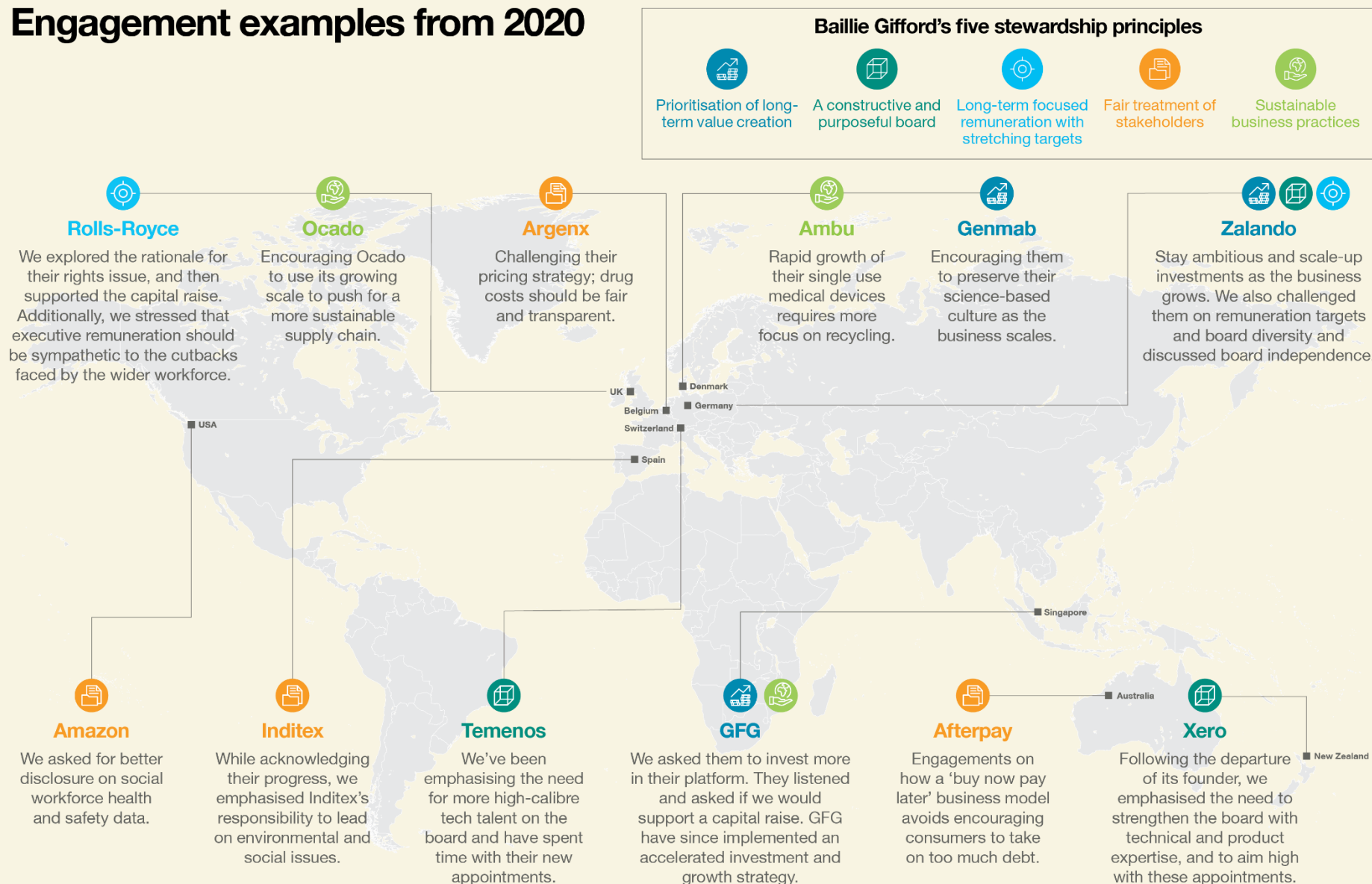
## Pioneering industrials

Intellectual property and engineering excellence can give companies a competitive edge that allows them to take advantage of growth opportunities.



# Supporting companies to be exceptional

## Engagement examples from 2020

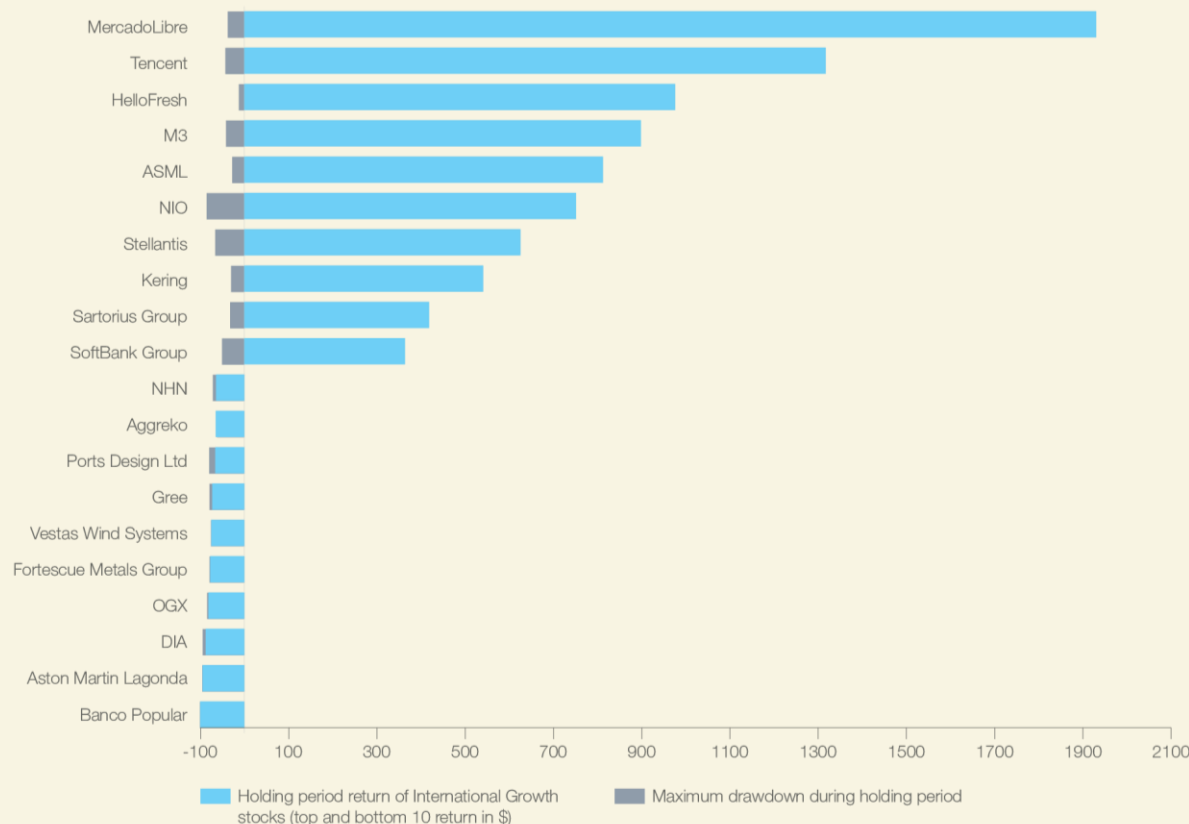


Note: Not all companies are held in all client portfolios.

# Exceptional outliers and their inevitable drawdowns

Some stocks offer huge upside

But even the biggest wealth creators experience large drawdowns



Source: StatPro, MSCI. Based on the Baillie Gifford International Growth Fund. US dollars. June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2021. Some stocks were only held for part of the period.

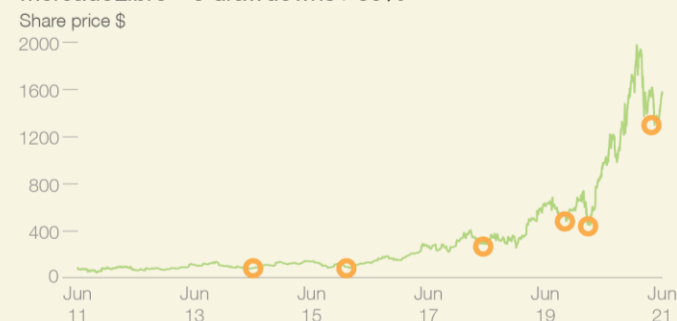
## Learning from academia

*‘Even those investments that are the most successful at long horizons typically involve painful losses over shorter horizons.’*

– Professor Hendrick Bessembinder

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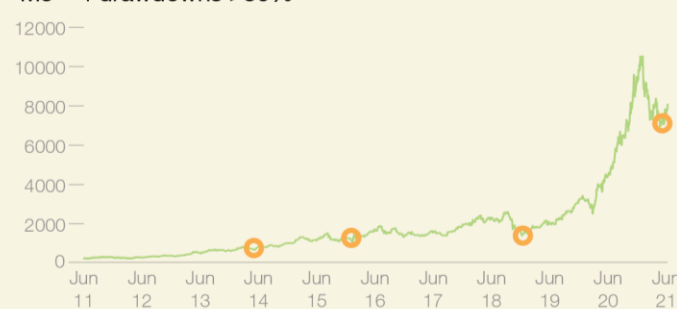
### MercadoLibre – 6 drawdowns >30%



### Tencent – 2 drawdowns >30%



### M3 – 4 drawdowns >30%



Orange circle = Drawdown events

Source: Thomson Reuters Eikon. Bessembinder (2020).

# Performance

## NAV investment returns to August 31, 2021

	Fund (NAV) %	Benchmark %	Difference %
Since inception* (p.a.)	12.76	7.11	+5.65
Ten years (p.a.)	13.53	7.97	+5.56
Five years (p.a.)	21.81	10.52	+11.29
Three years (p.a.)	21.90	9.97	+11.93
One year	23.44	25.37	-1.93

## Top and bottom relative stock contributors

One year to August 31, 2021

Name	Fund (avg. weight) %	Contribution %
ASML	7.27	3.87
Adyen	3.53	1.73
MercadoLibre	5.03	1.34
HelloFresh	1.86	1.01
NIO	1.82	0.64
TAL Education Group	1.58	-2.11
Alibaba	4.08	-1.56
Spotify	3.14	-1.31
Tencent	5.30	-0.99
Meituan	4.68	-0.90

## Top and bottom relative stock contributors

Five years to August 31, 2021

Name	Fund (avg. weight) %	Contribution %
ASML	6.02	10.00
MercadoLibre	2.68	6.08
M3	3.65	4.83
Ferrari	4.60	4.63
Kering	3.61	3.12
Rolls-Royce†	1.99	-1.72
Inditex	3.38	-1.44
Baidu.com†	2.49	-1.43
Rakuten†	0.61	-1.21
Aston Martin Lagonda†	0.15	-0.84

Source: Bank of New York Mellon, StatPro, MSCI. Totals may not sum due to rounding. NAV performance shown is based on Share Class 2 prices of the Fund.

Benchmark: MSCI ACWI ex US Index.

\*July 10, 2009.†Sold during the period.

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