Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund

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Performance as at 31 October 2026

	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years p.a.	5 Years p.a.	7 Years p.a.	10 Years p.a	Inception p.a[3]
Fund[1]	-2.4%	-0.1%	-12.3%	13.2%	2.7%	7.3%	8.4%	8.2%
Benchmark[2]	-6.4%	-3.9%	-14.4%	10.0%	0.6%	4.0%	5.9%	5.6%
Difference	4.0%	3.7%	2.1%	3.2%	2.0%	3.2%	2.5%	2.6%

[1] Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund. Returns of the Fund are net of applicable fees, costs and taxes.
[2] Benchmark is the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation index.
[3] Inception date of the current investment strategy is 11th July 2016. The Fund was established in June 2005. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. All p.a. returns are annualised.

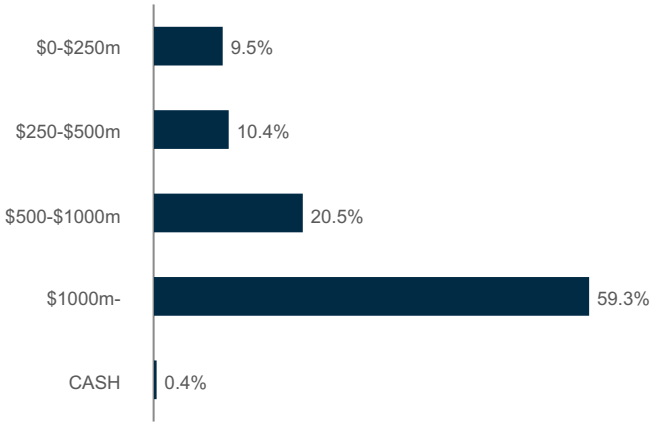
Overall Commentary

In the month ended 31 October 2026, the Fund returned -2.4%, outperforming the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index by 4.0%.

Top 5 Holdings

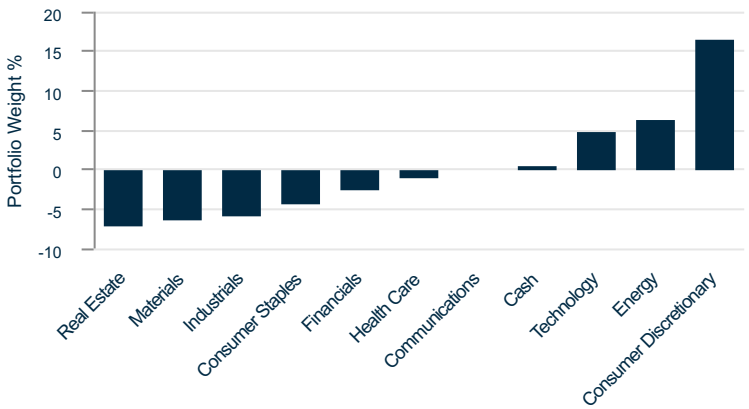
Company Name	% Portfolio
Supply Network Limited	5.4
Bapcor Limited	5.3
Perpetual Limited	4.5
Orora Limited	4.0
New Hope Corporation Limited	3.7
Top 5	**22.9**

Market Cap Bands



Source: Spheria Asset Management

Active Sector Exposure



Source: Spheria Asset Management, Bloomberg

Markets

Global equity markets trended lower during the month and despite the headline looking somewhat modest, with the S&P 500 down less than 1% in October, beneath the surface there was significant volatility. The NASDAQ was down 5% and the KOSPI – which has become a proxy for the AI/data centre thematic was down peak to trough 20% during the month before a modest recovery. The AI trade, which has driven a significant portion of global equity performance YTD came unstuck, as investor scrutiny of AI investment ROI intensified. Results from some of the biggest technology companies highlighted the sheer capital being invested into AI - with Google, Amazon and Meta spending US$51bn, US$77bn and US$35bn respectively on capex in the September quarter, pushing free cash flow negative at all three despite strong revenue growth. The long-awaited IPO documentation from Anthropic only added fuel to the fire, with the company disclosing around US$235bn of compute commitments through to 2033.

Australia was not immune, particularly at the small and micro-cap end of the market, which significantly underperformed the Top-50, which was surprisingly positive for the month despite the global noise. Resources were the weakest part of the market, with the Small-cap resources index down 14% for the month, driven in large part by a falling gold price. Part of the broader weakness was the sell-off in the AI-thematic trade globally, which also hit the local IPO market, with Nvidia-backed Firmus withdrawing what would have been the ASX's largest float in three decades after investors recoiled at an almost A$44 billion valuation. Confirmation of a further rate rise driven by hotter than expected inflation added to the pressure. Post month end the RBA raised rates for a 5th time this year, taking the cash rate to 4.85%, the highest it has been since 2008 (peaked at 4.75% in 2011 and 4.35% in 2024).

Despite absolute returns being weak, the Fund had strong relative returns for the month, supported by an underweight to materials.

Over the month the largest contributors were owning Healius (HLS.ASX, +15%), an overweight position in Orora (ORA.ASX, +9%), and an overweight position in Karoon Energy (KAR.ASX, +10%). The largest detractors from performance included not owning Data#3 (DTL.ASX, +33%), not owning Pinnacle Investment Management Group (PNI.ASX, +16%), and not owning AUB Group (AUB.ASX, +11%).

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BT Panorama	Freedom of Choice	Macquarie Wrap	PowerWrap
Centric	HUB24	Mason Stevens	Praemium
CFS FirstWrap	Insignia Expand	Netwealth	

Spheria Australian Smaller Companies Fund	
Benchmark	S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index
Investment Objective	Outperform the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over the medium to long term
Investing Universe	Primarily listed companies outside the top ASX 100 listed companies by market capitalisation and companies listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange with an equivalent market capitalisation
Risk	Very high
Holdings	Generally 20-65 stocks
Distributions	Half-Yearly
Fees	1.10% p.a Management fee & 20% performance fee of the Fund's excess return verses its benchmark, net of the management fee
Cash	Up to 20% cash, typically 5% - 10%
Expected Turnover	30% - 40%
Style	Long only
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Minimum Initial Investment	$25,000

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