

# Alger Small Cap Growth Fund

1st Quarter 2023 As of March 31, 2023

### Ticker Symbols

Class A **ALSAX**  
 Class Y **ASCYX**  
 Class Z **ASCZX**

### Investment Strategy

Primarily invests in growth equity securities of U.S. small cap companies identified through our fundamental research as demonstrating promising growth potential. Seeks long-term capital appreciation.

### Portfolio Management



**Dan Chung, CFA**  
 Chief Executive Officer, Chief Investment Officer  
 Portfolio Manager  
 29 Years Investment Experience



**Amy Zhang, CFA**  
 Executive Vice President  
 Portfolio Manager  
 28 Years Investment Experience

### Benchmark

Russell 2000 Growth

### Morningstar

Category: Small Growth

### Morningstar Style Box™

reveals a fund's investment strategy by showing its investment style and market capitalization based on the portfolio holdings. As of 1/31/2023

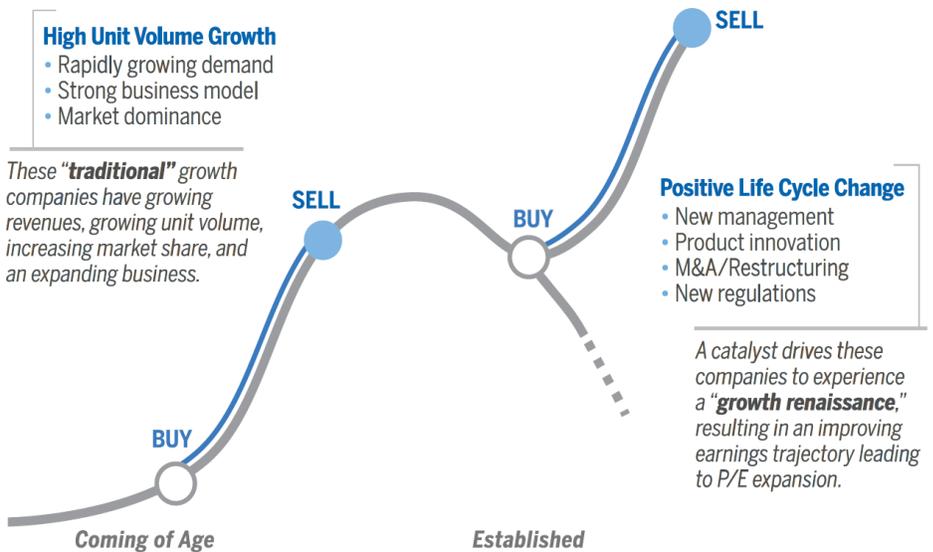


### Who We Are

Fred Alger Management, LLC is widely recognized as a pioneer of growth-style investment management. We have been an independent, privately owned firm since our founding in 1964. For more than 50 years, we have had **three leaders with one vision**: Maintaining the legacy and continuity of the Alger Investment Philosophy.

### Philosophy

Alger has been committed to a growth style of investing since the firm was founded in 1964. We believe that the best way to uncover and evaluate such companies is through intensive, fundamental, proprietary investment research. At Alger, we believe companies undergoing **Positive Dynamic Change** offer the best investment opportunities. By Positive Dynamic Change, we mean those companies experiencing High Unit Volume Growth and Positive Life Cycle Change.



### Process

- NEW IDEAS** Analysts identify companies experiencing positive dynamic change in their sectors and regions to generate potential investment ideas
- ANALYSIS** Analysts perform in-depth company analysis to develop a differentiated view supported by detailed financial models and stress-tested for a range of potential outcomes
- DIALOGUE** Analysts present their ideas to portfolio managers and have their investment thesis and assumptions challenged
- CONSTRUCTION** Portfolio managers construct portfolios of the highest conviction ideas while managing risk
- MONITORING** Risks are collaboratively managed by analysts, portfolio managers, the Director of Quantitative and Risk Management, and Compliance



## 1st Quarter 2023

## Average Annual Total Returns (%) (as of 3/31/23)

	QTR	YTD	1Year	3Years	5Years	10 Years	Since Inception
<b>Class A</b> (Incepted 12/31/96)							
Without Sales Charge	6.19	6.19	-21.03	5.57	5.69	7.88	5.29
With Sales Charge	0.57	0.57	-25.15	3.67	4.56	7.30	5.07
<b>Class Y</b> (Incepted 12/31/21)	6.34	6.34	-20.70	—	—	—	-27.85
<b>Class Z</b> (Incepted 12/29/10)	6.23	6.23	-20.88	5.91	6.04	8.25	8.38
<b>Morningstar Category Average</b> (Small Growth)	6.10	6.10	-12.05	16.23	7.27	9.58	—
<b>Russell 2000 Growth Index</b>	6.07	6.07	-10.60	13.36	4.26	8.49	(Since 12/31/96) 6.51 (Since 12/31/21) -18.05 (Since 12/29/10) 8.83
<b>Morningstar Percentile Rank</b> (Small Growth) Based on Total Returns							
<b>Class A</b>	—	—	92% 565/607	96% 552/576	73% 369/534	86% 337/401	—
<b>Class Y</b>	—	—	91% 562/607	—	—	—	—
<b>Class Z</b>	—	—	92% 564/607	96% 551/576	66% 329/534	78% 309/401	—
<b>Total Annual Operating Expenses by Class</b> (Prospectus Dated 3/1/23)		Without Waiver: With Waiver:	A: 1.29% —	Y: 0.96% 0.84%	Z: 0.96% —		

## Performances shown is net of fees and expenses.

Fred Alger Management, LLC has contractually agreed to waive fees or to reimburse Fund expenses (excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, dividend expense on short sales, borrowing costs, interest, taxes, brokerage and extraordinary expenses) through February 28, 2025 to the extent necessary to limit the total annual fund operating expenses of Class Z to 0.99% and Class Y to 0.84% of the class's average daily net assets. This expense reimbursement may only be amended or terminated prior to its expiration date by agreement between Fred Alger Management, LLC and the Fund's Board of Trustees, and will terminate automatically in the event of termination of the Investment Advisory Agreement. Fred Alger Management, LLC may, during the term of the contract, recoup any fees waived or expenses reimbursed pursuant to the contract; however, the Fund will only make repayments to Fred Alger Management, LLC if such repayment does not cause the Fund's expense ratio after the repayment is taken into account, to exceed both (i) the expense cap in place at the time such amounts were waived or reimbursed, and (ii) the Fund's current expense cap. Such recoupment is limited to two years from the date the amount is initially waived or reimbursed.

Only periods greater than 12 months are annualized.

**The performance data quoted represents past performance, which is not an indication or a guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance figures assume all distributions are reinvested. Returns with sales charges reflect a maximum front-end sales charge on Class A Shares of 5.25%. For performance current to the most recent month end, visit [www.alger.com](http://www.alger.com) or call 800.992.3863.**

## Calendar Year Returns (%) (as of 12/31/22)

	Fund (Class A)	Morningstar Small Growth Category Average	Russell 2000 Growth Index
<b>2022</b>	-37.53	-27.77	-26.36
<b>2021</b>	-3.71	11.89	2.83
<b>2020</b>	63.90	38.62	34.63
<b>2019</b>	28.44	27.68	28.48
<b>2018</b>	1.77	-5.76	-9.31
<b>2017</b>	28.30	21.50	22.17
<b>2016</b>	5.56	11.20	11.32
<b>2015</b>	-3.50	-2.41	-1.38
<b>2014</b>	-0.18	2.44	5.60
<b>2013</b>	33.72	40.91	43.30

## Portfolio Exposure (%) (as of 3/31/23)

	Alger Small Cap Growth Fund
<b>Equity Holdings</b>	95.81
<b>Cash</b>	4.19

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## Characteristics (as of 3/31/23)

	Alger Small Cap Growth Fund	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Equity Holdings	98	1095
Active Share (%)	91.93	—
Market Cap (Median-\$Bn)	\$3.36	\$1.22
Market Cap (Wtd Average-\$Bn)	\$7.94	\$3.43
P/E Ratio	24.65	16.27
Sales Growth (Next 12 Months) (%)	9.73	7.22
EPS Growth (3-5 Yr Forecasted) (%)	15.53	15.00

## Risk Metrics (5 Years as of 3/31/23 for Class A)

	Alger Small Cap Growth Fund	Russell 2000 Growth Index
Alpha (%)	1.76	—
Beta	0.93	1.00
Standard Deviation (%)	24.53	24.30
Sharpe Ratio	0.28	0.23
Information Ratio	0.14	—
Upside Capture (%)	97.81	—
Downside Capture (%)	93.21	—

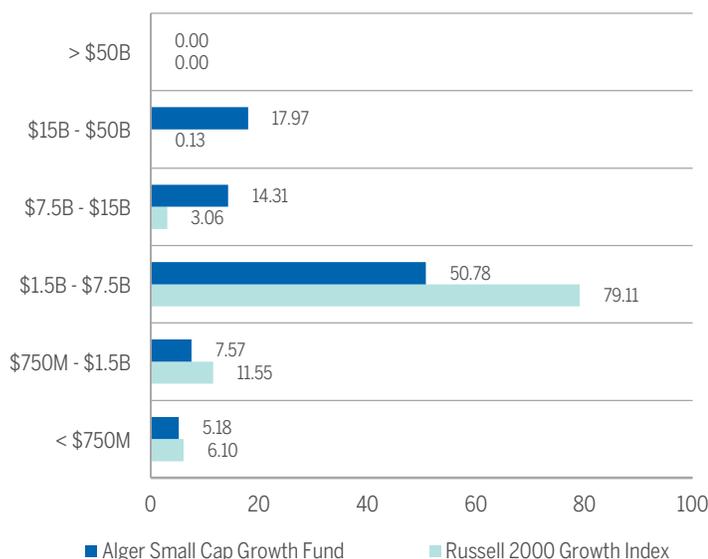
## Top 10 Holdings (%) (as of 3/31/23)

	Alger Small Cap Growth Fund	Russell 2000 Growth Index	Active Weight
HEICO Corporation	4.40	—	4.40
Magnolia Oil & Gas Corp. Class A	4.29	0.32	3.97
Manhattan Associates, Inc.	3.14	—	3.14
BJ's Wholesale Club Holdings, Inc.	3.07	—	3.07
Bio-Techne Corporation	2.89	—	2.89
SPS Commerce, Inc.	2.81	0.46	2.35
Insulet Corporation	2.67	—	2.67
Balchem Corp	2.47	0.33	2.13
Shake Shack, Inc. Class A	2.41	0.17	2.24
Neogen Corp	2.35	0.31	2.05
Total	30.49	1.59	28.91

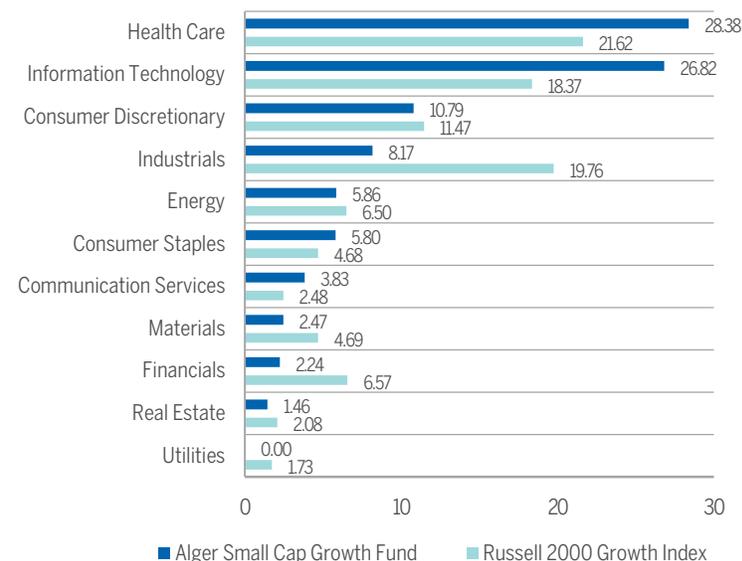
## Top 10 Active Holdings (%) (as of 1/31/23)

	Alger Small Cap Growth Fund	Russell 2000 Growth Index	Active Weight
Magnolia Oil & Gas Corp. Class A	4.62	0.33	4.29
HEICO Corporation	4.10	—	4.10
BJ's Wholesale Club Holdings, Inc.	3.32	—	3.32
Bio-Techne Corporation	2.89	—	2.89
Live Nation Entertainment, Inc.	2.88	—	2.88
Balchem Corp	3.15	0.33	2.82
Manhattan Associates, Inc.	2.46	—	2.46
Capri Holdings Limited	2.46	—	2.46
Insulet Corporation	2.24	—	2.24
SPS Commerce, Inc.	2.62	0.39	2.23
Total	30.74	1.05	29.69

## Market Capitalization (%) (as of 3/31/23)



## Sector Allocation (%) (as of 3/31/23)



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On September 10, 2021, the Alger Small Cap Growth Fund received a Fair Fund distribution of \$3,738,004, which contributed approximately 0.12% and 0.06% to its five and ten year annual returns as of October 31, 2022, respectively.

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