



# GROWTH LEADERS FUND

## INNOVATION GROWTH INVESTING

*The Fund seeks to invest in transformative market-leading companies with high return potential while managing opportunity and risk through an active approach.*

### INNOVATION

This active growth strategy seeks to own stocks of innovative companies growing revenues substantially faster than the overall market, which can deliver attractive investment returns.

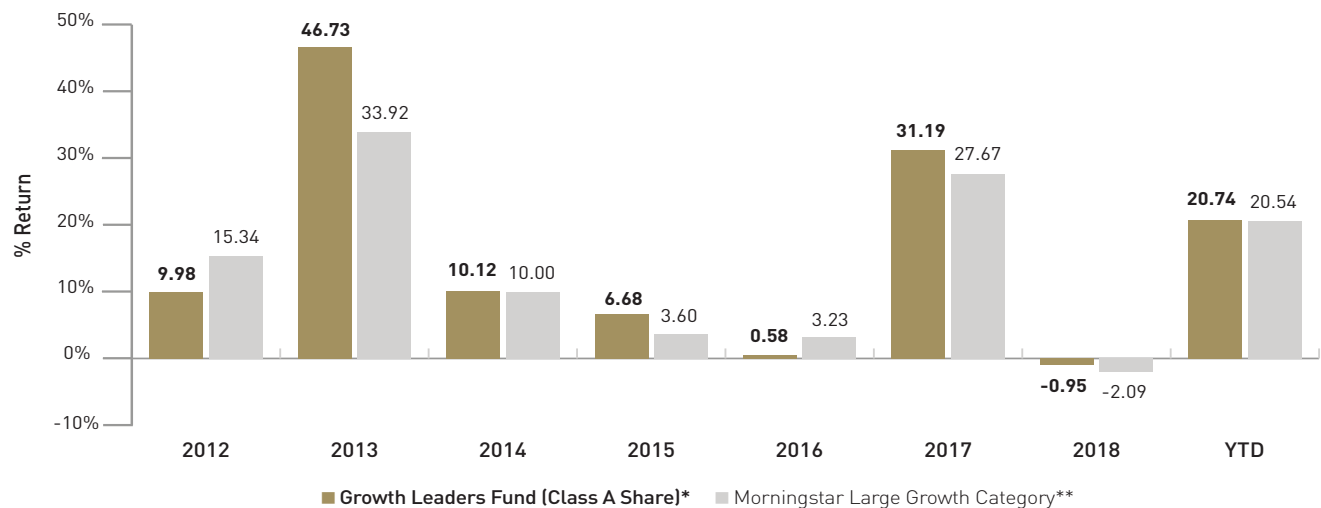
### EXPERIENCED INVESTMENT TEAM

The team leverages a long history of growth investing across all market capitalizations with the ability to combine fundamental research and technical analysis to manage both opportunity and risk.

### NOTEWORTHY TRACK RECORD

Our active approach has produced a compelling track record of delivering strong returns versus the Morningstar Large Growth Category.

## STRONG LONG-TERM RETURNS VERSUS MORNINGSTAR LARGE GROWTH CATEGORY



**AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS AT THE MAXIMUM 5.75% SALES CHARGE APPLICABLE TO CLASS A SHARE INVESTMENTS AS OF 09/30/2019, INCLUDING THE REINVESTMENT OF ALL DISTRIBUTIONS:**  
**1 YEAR: -3.65%; 5 YEARS: 11.89%; SINCE INCEPTION\*\*\*: 13.00%. EXPENSE RATIO: 0.91%**

The performance quoted represents past performance, which is no indication of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance data quoted. The investment return and principal value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate so that shares, on any given day or when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. You can obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end by calling Lord Abbett at 888-522-2388 or referring to lordabbett.com.

\*All results are calculated in accordance with the SEC mandated standard methodology, but do not reflect deduction of any front-end sales charges (which are waived for certain defined contribution plans and certain mutual fund advisory programs.) If those charges were deducted, the returns would be lower. All results are based on changes in net asset value and assume reinvestment of all distributions. Instances of high double-digit returns were achieved primarily during favorable market conditions and may not be sustainable over time. Class A Shares purchased subject to a front-end sales charge have no contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC). However, certain purchases of Class A Shares made without a front-end sales charge may be subject to a CDSC of 1% if the shares are redeemed before the first day of the month in which the one-year anniversary of the purchase falls. The CDSC is not reflected in the Average Annual Total Returns. If the CDSC was included, performance would be lower. Please see the Prospectus for more information on redemptions that may be subject to a CDSC. Indexes are unmanaged, do not reflect the deduction of fees or expenses, and are not available for direct investment. \*\*Source: Morningstar. Morningstar Category average returns are based on all share classes within the category and include the reinvested dividends and capital gains, if any, and exclude sales charges. \*\*\*Inception Date: 06/30/2011.

The value of investments in equity securities will fluctuate in response to general economic conditions and to changes in the prospects of particular companies and/or sectors in the economy.

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# A STRATEGY WITH A HISTORY OF GENERATING STRONG RETURNS

## EXPERIENCED PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



F. Thomas O'Halloran, J.D., CFA  
*Partner & Portfolio Manager,  
 32 Years Industry Experience*



Matthew R. DeCicco, CFA  
*Managing Director & Portfolio Manager,  
 20 Years Industry Experience*



Vernon Bice, CMT  
*Portfolio Manager,  
 18 Years Industry Experience*

Tom & Matt have worked together for nearly two decades.

Vernon leads technical analysis for the team with more than 18 years of industry experience dedicated to technical research.

The team manages four Innovation Growth Equity funds at Lord Abbett.

Years of industry experience are updated as of 01/01/2019.

## A TIME-TESTED INVESTMENT PROCESS

### COMPANY-LEVEL RESEARCH

Identify market-leading companies and manage company-specific risk

- Scalable business models
- Competent and credible managements
- Sustainable competitive advantages
- Favorable industry conditions



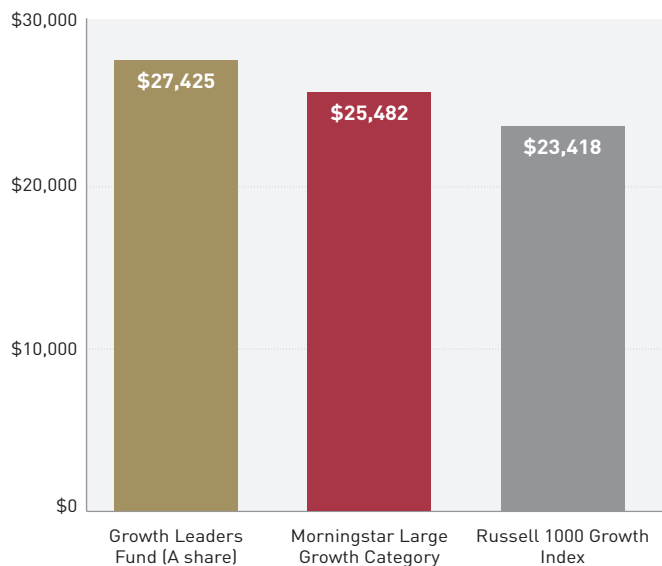
### STOCK-LEVEL INSIGHTS

Assess the market's view of fundamentals and manage stock-specific risk

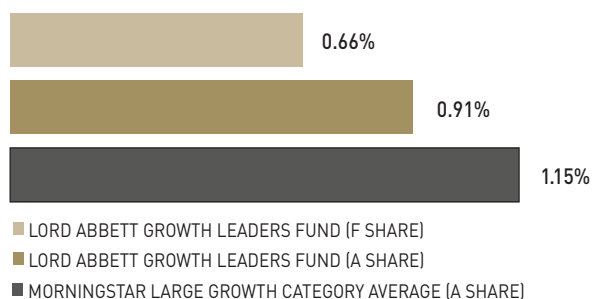
- Price/volume confirmation
- Trend confirmation
- Institutional accumulation
- Market-level indicators and market internals

## COMPETITIVE PERFORMANCE & LOW EXPENSES IN MORNINGSTAR LARGE GROWTH CATEGORY

### Growth of \$10,000 (06/30/2011 - 09/30/2019)



### Low Expenses



Source: Morningstar. Data as of 09/30/2019. Data for the Lord Abbett Growth Leaders Fund is based on Class A Share investment at net asset value and includes the reinvestment of all distributions, but does not reflect the deduction of sales charges which would lower performance.

For the period from March 1, 2019 through February 29, 2020, Lord Abbett Distributor LLC has contractually agreed to waive the Fund's 0.10% Rule 12b-1 fee for Class F shares. This agreement may be terminated only by the Fund's Board of Trustees.

# AN EMPHASIS ON GROWTH AND INNOVATION

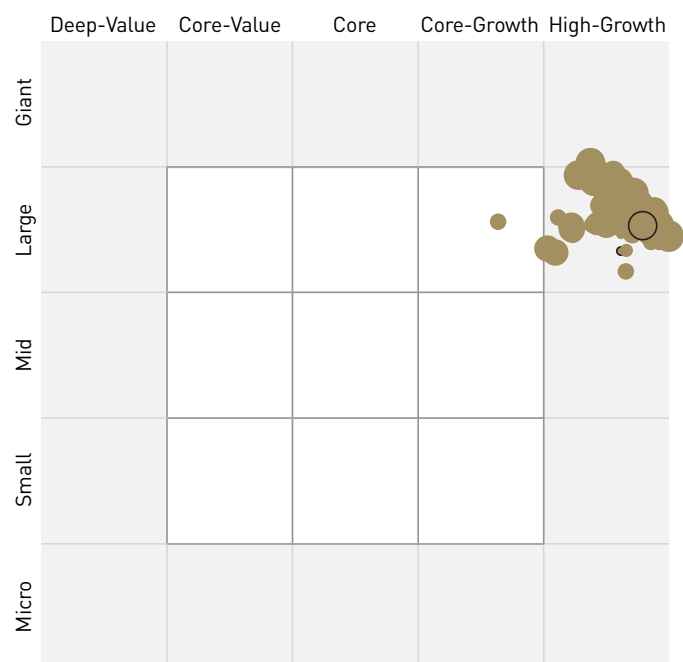
## HIGH CONVICTION POSITIONING

Top Overweights	Absolute Weight	Active Weight	Market Cap (\$Bn)	Trailing 12-Month Revenue Growth
Match Group, Inc.	2.60	+2.57	20.1	19.4%
Chipotle Mexican Grill	2.07	+1.91	23.3	12.9%
Teledyne Technologies, Inc.	1.61	+1.61	11.7	8.1%
Harris Corp.	1.77	+1.61	24.7	183.1%
Keysight Technologies, Inc.	1.70	+1.57	18.3	9.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.75%</b>			

Top Underweights	Absolute Weight	Active Weight	Market Cap (\$Bn)	Trailing 12-Month Revenue Growth
Alphabet, Inc.	2.59	-2.69	847.5	18.7%
Microsoft Corporation	5.11	-2.42	1062.6	10.8%
Apple, Inc.	5.19	-2.07	1014.9	-2.6%
Cisco Systems, Inc.	0.00	-1.52	210.0	1.8%
Merck & Co., Inc.	0.00	-1.47	216.1	8.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12.89%</b>			

Source: FactSet and Wilshire Atlas<sup>SM</sup> ("Wilshire"). Data as of 09/30/2019. The Fund's portfolio is actively managed and is subject to change. Holdings are for informational purposes only and are not a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold any security. Absolute weight refers to the percentage of a specific holding in the Fund's portfolio. Active overweights and underweights are relative to the Russell 1000 Growth Index. Please refer to the Fund's Portfolio tab at lordabbett.com for a complete and current list of holdings.

## PERSISTENTLY HIGH-GROWTH STYLE



Source: Morningstar. 06/30/2011 - 08/30/2019. Most recent data available.

## ACCESSING HIGH REVENUE GROWERS

All Holdings Average	Trailing 12-Month Revenue Growth*
<b>Growth Leaders Fund</b>	<b>22.2%</b>
Russell 1000 Growth Index	10.8%
S&P 500 Index	8.2%

Source: FactSet. Data as of 09/30/2019.

\*Trailing 12-Month Revenue Growth averages are asset-weighted, based on all of the individual holdings' weights in the benchmark or portfolio. The Fund's portfolio is actively managed, and the Fund characteristics may differ as of a more recent date and will vary significantly over time. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.**

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### OUR FIRM

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### OUR MISSION

Delivering superior long-term investment performance and a client experience that exceeds expectations

### OUR DIFFERENTIATORS

- Independent Perspective
- Commitment to Active Management
- Intelligent Product Design

**A Note about Risk:** The value of investments in equity securities will fluctuate in response to general economic conditions and to changes in the prospects of particular companies, including market, liquidity, currency, and political risks. Mid- and small-cap company stocks tend to be more volatile and may be less liquid than large-cap company stocks. Mid- and small-cap companies may also have more limited product lines, markets, or financial resources and typically experience a higher risk of failure than large companies. However, larger companies may have slower rates of growth than smaller successful companies. Investments in growth companies can be more sensitive to the company's earnings and more volatile than the stock market in general. The Fund engages in active and frequent trading of its securities, which may result in increased transaction fees, reduced investment performance, and higher taxes. These factors can adversely affect Fund performance.

**Class A Shares** purchased subject to a front-end sales charge have no contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC). However, certain purchases of Class A shares made without a front-end sales charge may be subject to a CDSC of 1% if the shares are redeemed before the first day of the month in which the one year anniversary of the purchase falls. The CDSC is not reflected in the performance with maximum sales charge.

The **Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Growth Index** measures the performance of those Russell 1000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

The **S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index** is widely regarded as the standard for measuring large-cap U.S. stock market performance and includes a representative sample of leading companies in leading industries. Index is unmanaged, does not reflect the deduction of fees or expenses, and is not available for direct investment.

**Morningstar Category Average Expense Ratios** reflect the average net expenses of Class A shares of all funds within the peer group based on Morningstar data available.

**Morningstar Large Growth Category:** includes funds that seek capital appreciation by investing in large domestic stocks that are growth-oriented. Large-cap stocks have market capitalizations greater than \$5 billion. Growth is defined based on high price/book and price/cash flow ratios. Funds will typically have more than 70% of assets invested in U.S. stocks.

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