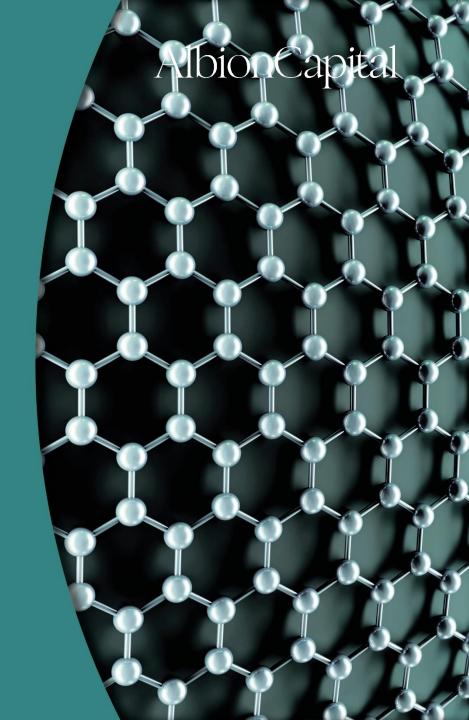
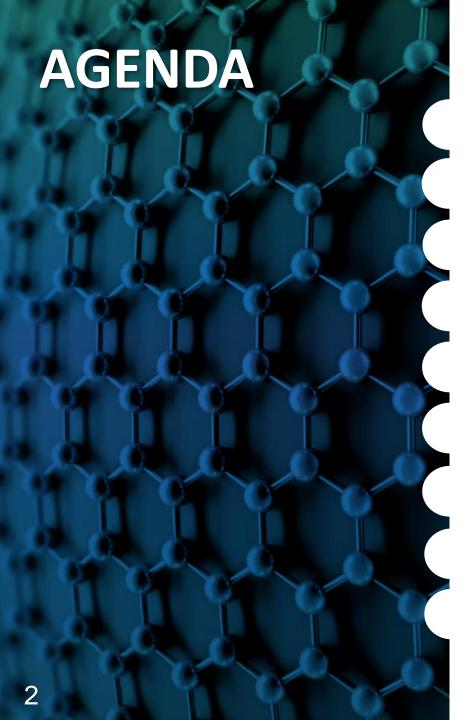
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# Manager Presentation September 2024

Results for the year to 31 March 2024





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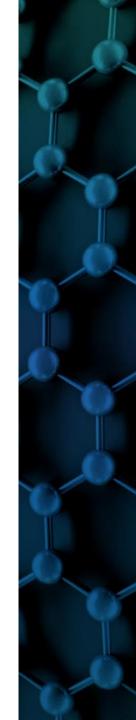
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# **FINANCIAL SUMMARY TO MARCH 2024**

125.77p 200.92p

2.68%

6.28p

Net asset value (NAV) per share as at 31 March 2024

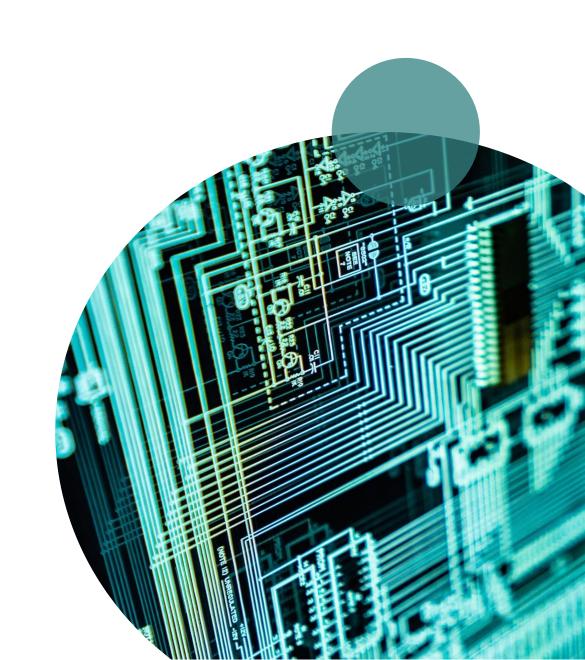
Total shareholder value as at 31 March 2024

Shareholder return for the year ended 31 March 2024

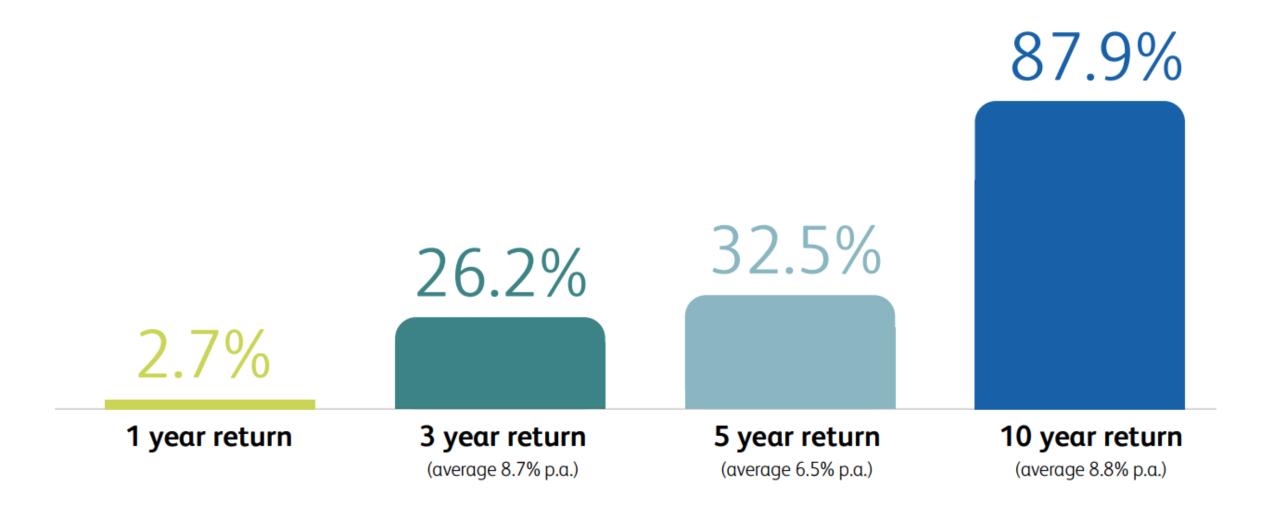
Tax-free dividends per share paid during the year

#### **BACKGROUND**

- Continuing global macro and geo-political uncertainties
- Falling inflation and elevated interest rates
- Portfolio focus on mission critical products and services is designed to provide resilience
- An encouraging return for the year despite challenging market conditions
- Positive Q1 performance



#### **PERFORMANCE DATA**



# **HIGHLIGHTS IN THE YEAR**

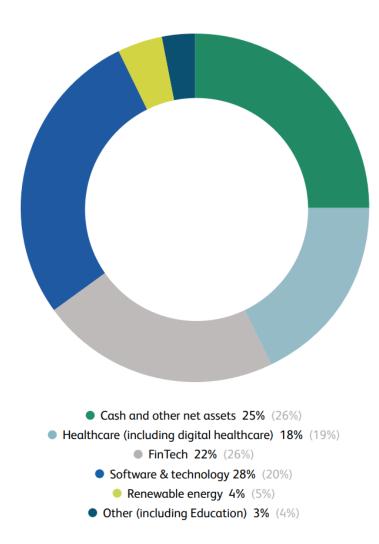
	2023	2024	Notes	
Fundraising	£16.4m	£15.4m		
Exits	£1.8m	£6.0m	Including sale of Ophelos and part disposal of Quantexa	
Investment rate	£12.5m	£8.9m	£3.6m in 6 new companies and £5.3m into the existing portfolio	
Share buybacks	£2.9m	£2.5m		
Dividends	£6.0m	£6.3m		

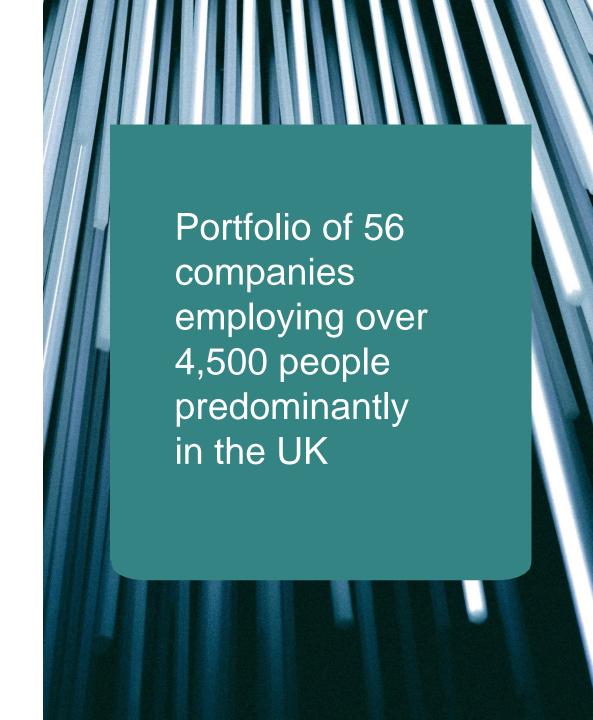
# **KEY VALUE DRIVERS IN THE YEAR**

	2024	Notes				
Egress	£8.0m	Agreed sale at over 7x return on cost (completed, 1 July 2024)				
Proveca	£0.9m	Strong trading				
Threadneedle Software (£0.8m)		Impacted by macroeconomic environment				
PeakData (£0.8m)		Impacted by macroeconomic environment				
Other – write ups £3.1m		Including: Gravitee, Ophelos and Accelex				
Other – write downs (£5.5m)		Including: Solidatus, PeakData, The Evewell, and Seldon				
TOTAL	£4.9m					

## **PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS**

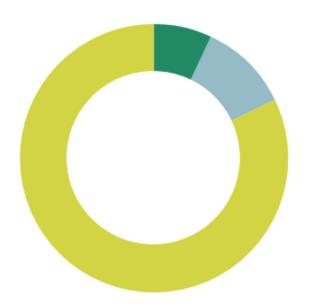
#### Sector breakdown





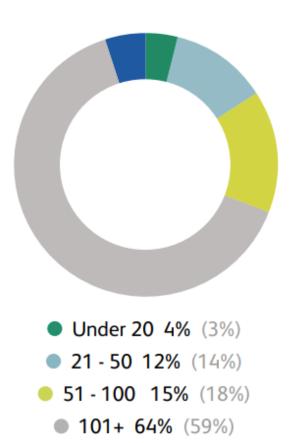
#### **PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS**

#### **Stage of investment**



- Early stage (revenue less than £1 million) 7% (7%)
- Growth (revenue between £1 million and £5 million) 11% (14%)
  - Scale up (revenue over £5 million) 82% (79%)

#### No. of employees



\*Renewable energy companies have no employees

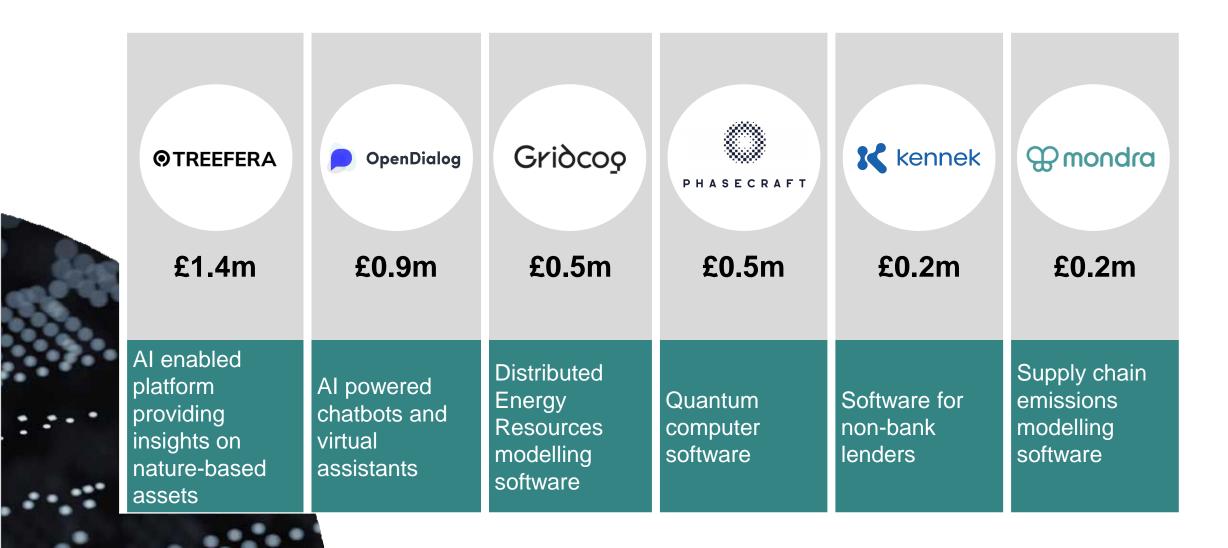
Renewable energy\* 5% (6%)

<sup>\*</sup> Renewable energy investments have no employees. Comparatives for 31 March 2023 are in brackets.

# TOP 3 ACCOUNT FOR 36.4% OF THE NAV AT MARCH 2024

		Investmen t date	Cost £000	Book value £000	Revenue growth	Employe e growth
quantexa outcomes delivered	Uses the latest advances in big data analytics and artificial intelligence to help its financial services and government customers detect financial crime	2017	2,069	22,164	>50x	30 to c.600
<b>©</b> . egress°	The leading cloud encryption platform ensuring data security for email, data transfer and collaboration environments	2014	3,365	20,795	>25x	23 to c.300
Proveca Medicines for Children	European specialist pharmaceutical company focussed on children's medicines	2012	2,487	8,194	Pre revenue to £16m p.a	4 to 64
			£7.9m	£51.2m		

### **NEW INVESTMENTS**



## **NEW CLIMATE TECH INVESTMENT: TREEFERA**

1

An Al-enabled data management platform providing transparency and accuracy to nature-based asset reporting



- Treefera's platform integrates satellite, drone and ground truth data at huge scale with cutting-edge Al algorithms, to provide continuous monitoring, assurance and risk evaluation
- Founding team ex JP Morgan and Uipath
- £7.0m invested by Albion VCTs, of which £1.4m from AAEV

#### **NEW DEEPTECH INVESTMENT: PHASECRAFT**

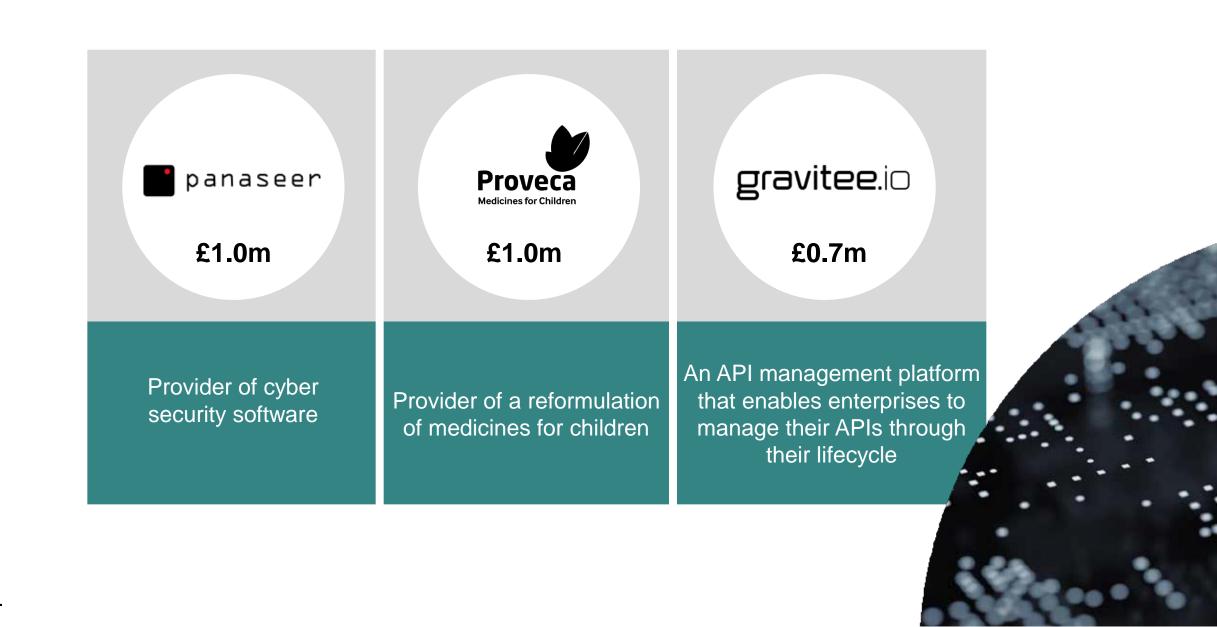
2

Phasecraft is a quantum algorithm company led by leading academics from UCL and the University of Bristol



- A quantum software company focused on quantum advantage, that has reduced the cost of modelling materials on a quantum computer – by +1,000,000x compared with the best previous algorithms.
- World-leading team in quantum algorithm development, creating highly valuable intellectual property.
- £2.4m invested by Albion VCTs, of which £0.5m from AAEV

# **FOLLOW-ONS**





# **REALISATIONS: OPHELOS**

- Using machine learning to create a new standard for how organisations manage customer debt - ethically and efficiently
- Acquired by Intrum AB (Swedish listed)

£3.2m

2.1x

£1.1m

Invested by Albion VCTs

Cash on cash multiple

AAEV VCT proceeds





# **REALISATIONS: PARTIAL SALE OF QUANTEXA**

- Data and analytics company pioneering contextual decision intelligence
- Partial sale reduces portfolio concentration risk
- Sold to experienced private equity investors through their investment vehicle Albion Growth Opportunities

£0.9m 11.5x

£2.2m

Weighted average investment by Albion VCTs

Cash on cash multiple

AAEV VCT proceeds



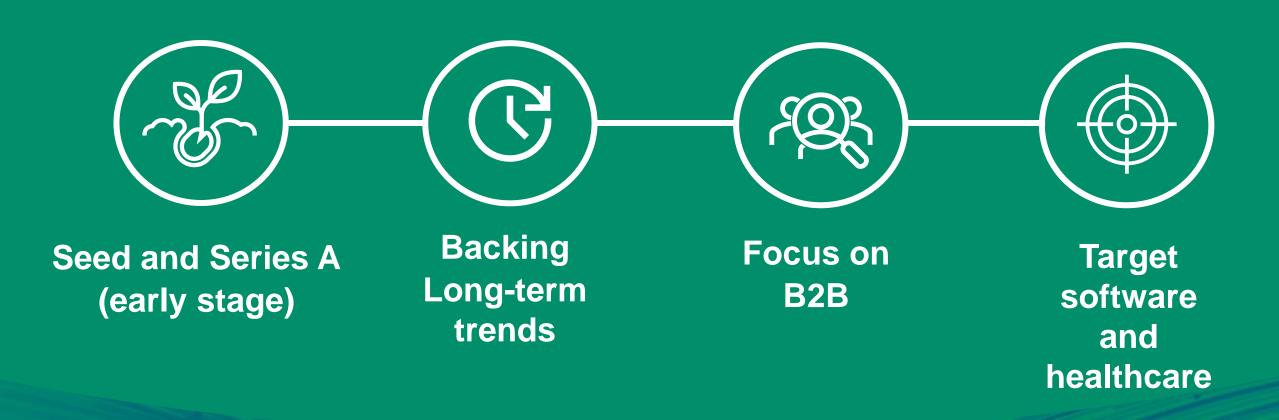
#### **SUNSET CLAUSE**

"The VCT Association has continuously sought to demonstrate the positive impact made by our members throughout the UK, through their investment in the next generation of early-stage businesses."

Chris Lewis, Venture Capital Trust
Association

- The Government has confirmed the continuation of the VCT scheme by extending the current sunset clause to April 2035
- The European Commission has now confirmed that the VCT scheme can be extended
- Strong engagement with the recently elected Labour government
- VCTs are an important backer of high growth innovative early-stage companies in the UK

# **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**



#### **ESG AT ALBION**

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

- Albion is transitioning to Net Zero
- Measuring carbon footprint and purchased carbon removal permits for 2023/2024 emissions
- Formation of Albion Net
   Zero team to formulate a
   road map for
   transitioning to net zero

#### SOCIAL

- Fair HQ score improvement (from 6.1 to 6.6 out of 10) in 2023
- Albion's Social Outreach
   Team has a mandate on local educational outreach
- Radia Accelerator launched to support women entrepreneurs

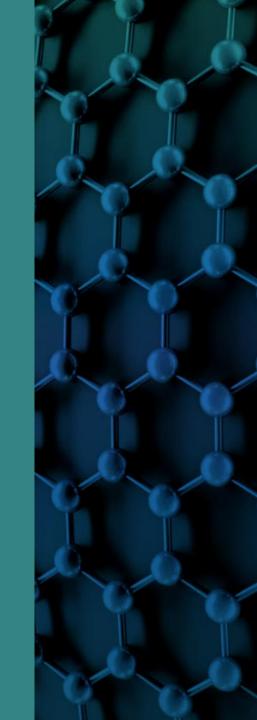
#### GOVERNANCE

- ESG principles integrated across the full investment cycle
- Completion of 2023 ESG BSC portfolio reporting
- UN PRI score 2023: 4/5 stars
- Regular ESG updates for all stakeholders

# **BOARD CHANGES**



- Maxwell Packe retires as Chairman of the company
- Appointed in 2006 when Albion Enterprise VCT
   PLC was launched and initially raised £20m
- Total shareholder value 31/03/2024 of 200.92p
- Fund NAV now £141m
- Christopher Burrows to become new Chairman



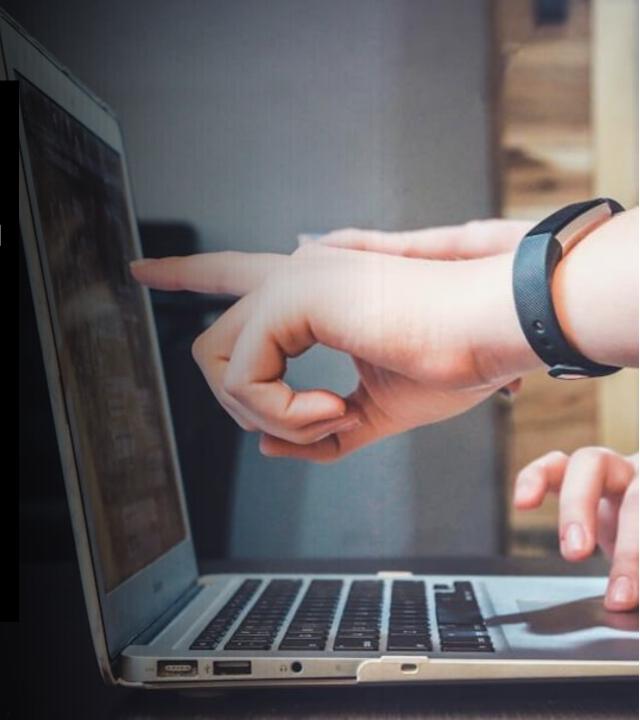
#### **PROSPECTS**



- Ongoing uncertainties but balanced by strong individual portfolio company growth
- Well-balanced portfolio across target sectors and stage of maturity
- Focus on mission critical products and services, designed to provide resilience
- Limited exposure to discretionary consumer facing sectors
- Good level of cash to capitalise on new investment opportunities

# **ELECTRONIC VOTING**

- Online voting is quick and simple
- Notification emails are sent before the AGM with full instructions
- Two options:
  - Before the AGM via notification email or visit www.investorcentre.co.uk/eproxy
  - 2. During the AGM via the Lumi platform
- Any questions, contact us



# Q1 RESULTS

- NAV at 30 June 2024 of 136.10p
   Increase of 8.2% to the 31 March 2024 NAV
- Sale of Egress Software Technologies completed 1 July 2024
- First dividend of 3.14p per share paid on 30 August 2024
- Top three investments now account for 40.5% of NAV at 30 June 2024 and will reduce following Egress sale



# Thankyou

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