

# ARK GLOBAL DISRUPTIVE INNOVATION FUND

## Net returns as at 30 June 2025

	1 month	3 months	l year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	Since inception* p.a.
Ark Global Disruptive Innovation Fund <sup>‡</sup>	12.72	31.06	58.54	23.07	1.47	6.95
Growth return#	12.72	31.06	58.54	23.07	1.47	6.92
Distribution return#	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03
MSCI All Countries World Index^	2.61	6.05	18.38	19.23	14.77	12.12

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Taxes payable by investors have not been taken into account. The figures shown have been provided for illustrative purposes – they are unaudited and subject to change. The total returns shown are prepared on an exit to exit basis – they include all ongoing fees and expenses and assume reinvestment of all distributions.

#### Portfolio review

The Fund outperformed broad based global equities during the month (net).

Key contributors to absolute performance:

- Coinbase, a leading cryptocurrency exchange platform, shares surged higher, driven by a series of strategic milestones that expanded its global footprint and diversified its revenue streams. The company secured a MiCA license from Luxembourg, granting it regulatory approval to offer crypto services across all EU member states. Additionally, Coinbase's Layer 2 network, Base, was selected by JPMorgan to support its USD deposit token, JPMD. The company also partnered with Shopify and Stripe to enable USDC stablecoin payments, facilitating faster and more secure transactions for merchants globally. These developments, coupled with Coinbase's 50% revenue share from Circle, whose IPO highlighted Coinbase's undervaluation also reinforced investor confidence.
- Robinhood Markets, a trading platform operator, saw its shares continue to climb higher. During the month Robinhood launched a promotion of matching 2% of any crypto deposit brought to the platform, in conjunction with its highly anticipated crypto event. Robinhood also announced several product feature upgrades, such as advanced charting on the mobile app and the addition of crypto futures.

- Roblox, an online gaming and user-generated content platform, shares traded higher following the appointment of Naveen Chopra as Chief Financial Officer, who brings extensive financial and strategic leadership experience across several technology and media companies, such as Paramount (EVP & CFO), Amazon, Pandora, and TiVo.
- Roku, a provider of streaming devices and a leading platform for connected TV advertising, shares rose following its partnership announcement with Amazon's DSP, which targets a significant portion of US CTV watching households.
- Tempus AI, a health technology company, shares gained on the back of new AI collaborations, including a multi-year partnership with Northwestern University's Abrams Research Center to accelerate Alzheimer's research using its AI-powered Lens platform.

Key detractors from absolute performance:

- Tesla, a leading electric vehicle and clean energy company, shares declined following a widely publicized social media exchange between CEO Elon Musk and U.S. President Donald Trump, though the stock later rebounded as tensions eased. Additional developments included the departure of two senior executives and the soft launch of its robotaxi service in Austin via an invite-only app.
- Trade Desk, a digital advertising technology platform, shares fell as competition in the connected TV (CTV)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup>Effective April 2023, the Fund was renamed from the Nikko AM Ark Global Disruptive Innovation Fund to the Ark Global Disruptive Innovation Fund. There was no change to the Fund's investment team, philosophy or process. The Fund gains exposure to global equities by investing in the Nikko AM ARK Disruptive Innovation Fund (Underlying Fund), a sub-fund of the Nikko AM Global Umbrella Fund. The Underlying Fund is an open-ended investment company (Company) established under Luxembourg law as a 'société d'investissement à capital variable' (SICAV).

<sup>#</sup>Growth returns are measured by the movement in the Fund's unit price, ex-distribution. Distribution return is the proportion of the total return which is paid to unitholders by way of distribution. It does not include distribution amounts deemed as capital distributions.

<sup>^</sup> Reference Index shown for illustrative purposes only: MSCI All Countries World Index (with net dividends reinvested) expressed in Australian Dollars (unhedged).

<sup>\*</sup> Inception date of the ARK Global Disruptive Innovation Fund: August 2018.

- space intensified, with Amazon's DSP securing highprofile deals with Roku and Disney. Furthermore, Trade Desk received a downgrade from an investment research firm.
- Schrödinger, a scientific software and biotech company specializing in computational tools for drug discovery and materials science, saw its shares struggle to perform despite receiving Fast Track Designation from the FDA for its MALTI inhibitor SGR-1505 in Waldenström macroglobulinemia and reporting initial Phase I data with a modest overall response rate across relapsed/refractory B-cell malignancies, while showing particularly strong monotherapy responses in patients with CLL and Waldenström macroglobulinemia.
- UiPath Inc., a global leader in robotic process automation (RPA), shares were weaker following its Q1 earnings call. While topline growth accelerated and execution showed improvement, concerns remain amid a more competitive AI environment. New initiatives included a webinar showcasing automation capabilities, unified pricing to simplify licensing, and enhanced integration with SAP Task Center.
- **GitLab Inc.**, a DevOps platform provider offering a single application for the entire software development lifecycle. The stock declined after Ql earnings, despite strong year-over-year growth and the launch of GitLab 18 with Al-native features. Investor concerns centred on heightened price sensitivity, which could hinder adoption.

#### Market outlook

Broad-based global equity indexes appreciated during the month, continuing the rebound after sweeping tariff announcement shocked the global markets. Relative to the MSCI World Index, the Information Technologies and Communication Services sectors outperformed on balance in June, while Consumer Staples and Real Estate sectors lagged.

In Ark's view, the innovation space is not only recovering but also being revalued. The headwinds that once pressured disruptive technologies are shifting into structural tailwinds, supported by broadening market participation, favourable policy shifts around crypto, AI, and healthcare, and potential fiscal catalysts like tax cuts. Should inflation continue to surprise to the downside, interest rates should follow and establish a constructive macroeconomic backdrop that will sustain momentum. The pro-growth policies of the Trump administration, as well as breakthroughs in AI, robotics, energy storage, blockchain, and multiomics, could drive a new cycle of productivity and long-term economic growth, particularly among underappreciated names not yet reflected in benchmark-heavy market leadership.

## Top 10 holdings (underlying Fund\*)

Security Name	% of Fund
Coinbase Global Inc	9.2
Tesla Inc	8.5
ROBLOX Corp	7.2
Palantir Technologies Inc	6.3
Roku Inc	5.9
Robinhood Markets Inc	5.6
Shopify Inc	4.6
Tempus Al Inc	4.1
Meta Platforms Inc	2.9
Amazon.com Inc	2.5

## Sector exposure (underlying Fund\*)

Element	Exposure (%)
Communication Services	22.6
Information Technology	22.5
Health Care	17.9
Financials	17.1
Consumer Discretionary	15.9
Industrials	4.0

## Portfolio composition (underlying Fund\*)

Element	Exposure (%)
Intelligent Devices	21.2
Next Gen Cloud	16.4
Digital Wallets	11.8
Autonomous Mobility	10.2
Neural Networks	10.0
Multiomic Technologies	9.0
Cryptocurrencies	6.0
Smart Contracts	4.3
Precision Therapies	4.2
Advanced Battery Technologies	3.2
Programmable Biology	1.9
Adaptive Robotics	1.9
Reusable Rockets	0.2

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## **Features**

Investment objective	The Fund aims to achieve a target average total return (before fees, expenses and taxes) of 10% to 15% per annum over a rolling five year period.		
Recommended investment time frame	7+ years		
Fund inception	August 2018		
Fund size	A\$51.7 mn as at 30 June 2025		
APIR code	NIK1854AU		
Estimated management cost	1.35% p.a.		
Buy/sell spread	+/- 0.20%		
Platform availability	Asgard BT Panarama Hub24 Macquarie Wrap	Netwealth Praemium uXchange	

#### **Applications and contacts**

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