

BlackRock Health Sciences Opps Inv A

A Mutual Fund

Third Quarter 2018
Fund Fact Sheet

Key Facts

INVESTMENT ADVISOR: BlackRock Advisors LLC
FUND CATEGORY: Health
INDEX: S&P 1500 Health Care TR@
NET ASSETS: \$2,769.9 Million
INCEPTION DATE: 12/21/1999
TICKER SYMBOL: SHSAX
GROSS EXPENSE RATIO: 1.17% of Fund Assets
OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATING™: ★★★★★
OVERALL # OF FUNDS IN MORNINGSTAR CATEGORY: 129
PORTFOLIO MANAGER(S): Erin Xie

Overall Morningstar Rating as of quarter ending 09/30/2018. The Morningstar Rating shown is for the share class of this fund only; other classes may have different performance characteristics. ©2018 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. Additional Morningstar information is available in the User Guide.

DESCRIPTION/OBJECTIVE

The investment seeks to provide long-term growth of capital. The fund invests at least 80% of its total assets in equity securities, primarily common stock, of companies in health sciences and related industries. The health sciences sector can include companies in health care equipment and supplies, health care providers and services, biotechnology, and pharmaceuticals. It will concentrate its investments (i.e., invest more than 25% of its assets) in health sciences or related industries, and may invest in companies located in non-U.S. countries.

There is no assurance the objectives will be met.

Sector funds are subject to risks within their specific sectors because they concentrate their investments in securities of companies within certain industries. Therefore, the price of these securities can be volatile.

Top Five Holdings

As of 08/31/2018

UnitedHealth Group Inc	8.24%
Pfizer Inc	5.44%
Medtronic PLC	4.26%
Abbott Laboratories	4.18%
Boston Scientific Corp	3.92%

Top Five Sectors

As of 08/31/2018

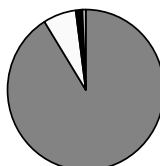
Healthcare	98.22%
Technology	1.10%
Consumer Cyclical	0.67%

Holdings and Sector allocations are ranked as a percentage of net assets and subject to change without notice.

Allocation

As of 08/31/2018

US Stocks	91.17%
Non-US Stocks	6.79%
Cash	1.36%
Other	0.69%



Characteristics

As of 08/31/2018

	Mutual Fund Index	
Weighted Geometric Market Cap. (\$Bil)	49.97	75.59
Price/Earnings Ratio (Forward)	19.75x	17.81x
Price/Book Ratio	3.92x	3.91x
3-Year Earnings Growth Rate (%)	5.95	-2.54
Number of Holdings-Long	123	168

Morningstar Volatility Rank

As of 09/30/2018



In the past, this investment has shown a wide range of price fluctuations relative to other investments. This investment may experience significant price increases in favorable markets or undergo large price declines in adverse markets. Some of this risk may be offset by owning other investments that follow different investment strategies.

Morningstar® Style Box™

As of 08/31/2018

Value	Blend	Growth	
		●	Large
			Mid
			Small

Domestic equity funds are placed in a category based on the style and size of the stocks they typically own. The style and size parameters are based on the divisions used in the investment style box: Value, Blend, or Growth style and Small, Medium, or Large geometric average market capitalization.

Performance(%)

As of 09/30/2018

	Cumulative Returns		Average Annual Total Returns				
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
Mutual Fund*	12.90	20.25	22.12	15.18	16.86	15.65	NA
Index	14.29	18.03	19.95	15.58	15.89	14.66	---

Morningstar Rating™

★★★★ ★★★★★ ★★★★★

of Funds in Category

129 120 97

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