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Best Fund Group

Miton takes home the Best Fund Group award in the What Investment Unit Trust Awards

It has been a sterling year for Miton, with the suite of funds managed by Gervais Williams delivering top-notch performance numbers, and the new launch CF Miton UK Value Opportunities fund also proving to be highly successful.

The CF Miton Worldwide Opportunities fund is another stellar performer from the company. Managed by Nick Greenwood, the £21 million fund has returned 153 per cent since May 2003, compared to 131 per cent for the IMA Flexible Investment sector in that period.

The judges noted that Miton is a company that has had a difficult past, but since 2011 has been restructured by a new executive team including Williams as managing director and executive chairman Ian Dighé, who previously formed fund management business Matterley.

Williams comments, 'When I joined Miton with the new management team in 2011, we had an ambition of building a supportive environment where high-calibre staff could truly excel. We are so thrilled with this

award because it recognises just how much the wider Miton team is doing extraordinary things for clients.'

The judges also saw fit to award Marlborough Fund Managers a commendation in this category. The group's flagship fund is the £837 million Marlborough Special Situations, run by Giles Hargreave since 1998. In the 19 years since the fund was launched, it has turned £1,000 into £21,335, compared to £6,544 for the sector – a phenomenal record that Hargreave deserves more recognition for. Hargreave is also co-manager on a number of other very successful mandates including Marlborough Multi-Cap Income and Marlborough Micro Cap Growth.

The shortlist

Invesco Perpetual
Jupiter
★ **Marlborough Fund Managers
(Highly Commended)**
River & Mercantile

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