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Fact Sheet

UOB Asset Management (UOBAM) is one of Singapore's leading fund manager, with 30 unit trusts under its management. UOBAM is also Singapore's most awarded fund management company. Its recent accolades included clinching six Best Fund Performance Awards at the Standard & Poor's Investment Funds Performance Awards 2001 and five Top-Performing Awards at the Investment Fund Awards.

UOBAM currently manages about S\$4.0 billion in clients' funds.

UOBAM's management philosophy is the emphasis on securities selection using a bottom-up approach. This means making regular company visits and supplementing its fundamental investment approach with quantitative tools to control risks and aid in the portfolio construction process.

Appendix 1

STANDARD & POOR'S INVESTMENT FUNDS AWARD, SINGAPORE 2002

Funds	Best Performing Awards
United Asia Fund	Far East & Pacific Ex Japan Equity Fund over 1 Year Far East & Pacific Ex Japan Equity Fund over 5 Years
United Global Healthcare Fund	Global Healthcare Fund over 1 Year
United Global Internet Fund	Global TMT Fund over 1 Year
United Japan Growth Fund	Japan Equity Fund over 3 Years
United Regional Growth Fund	Far East & Pacific Equity Fund over 3 Years

INVESTMENT FUND AWARDS 2001

Funds	Best Performing Awards
United Global Healthcare Fund	Global Healthcare Fund over 1 Year
United Gold & General Fund	Specialist Equities (Others) Fund over 1 Year
United Japan Growth Fund	Japan Equity Fund over 3 Years
United Global Capital Fund	Specialist Equities (Others) Fund over 5 Years
United International Growth Fund	Global Equities (Others) over 5 Years