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HOW VALUE-GLAMOUR INVESTORS USE FINANCIAL INFORMATION: UK EVIDENCE OF INVESTOR'S CONFIRMATION BIAS

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<u>Abstract</u>

The paper investigates how investors in value and glamour stocks use financial information. The empirical evidence presented is in line with a model of investor's asymmetric reaction to good and bad news due to confirmation bias. Pessimistic value investors typically under-react to good financial information, while they process bad information rationally or over-confidently. On the contrary, glamour investors are often too optimistic to timely update prices following bad financial information, while they are likely to fairly price or even over-react when receiving good information.

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