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# QUALITY CYCLICALS

### **OVERVIEW**

The GMO Quality Cyclicals Fund seeks to generate total return by investing in leading cyclical businesses. Leveraging their long-term disciplined approach to investing in high quality companies, GMO's Focused Equity team selects from a high-conviction universe of cyclical businesses that are of higher quality than their industry peers. The team believes that quality cyclical businesses are structurally underappreciated by the market and that times of elevated stress can create extraordinary opportunities in guality cyclicals.

#### FACTS

Share Class	Class VI
Share Class Ticker	GMAEX
Share Class Inception	12-May-20
Fund Inception	12-May-20
Total Assets	\$85mm USD
Index	MSCI ACWI

## CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	MTD	QTD	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	
Class VI	5.73	7.28	7.28	22.85	-12.64	15.62	47.69	
Index	3.09	8.14	8.14	22.20	-18.36	18.54	34.79	

## ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class VI	19.07	6.98	-	-	19.01
Index	23.15	6.94	_	_	15.04

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 31-MAR-24)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class VI	19.07	6.98	-	-	19.01
Index	23.15	6.94	-	-	15.04

Net of all fees and expenses after reimbursement by the Manager, but not transaction costs, if any. If certain expenses were not reimbursed, performance would be lower. Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not indicative of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance data may be lower or higher than the performance data provided herein. The local market in which the Fund is priced was closed for Good Friday on March 29, 2024. Therefore, the performance for the fund and corresponding benchmark will utilize March 28 for purposes of the ending valuation for the March return and the starting valuation for the April return.

## **RISK PROFILE** (SINCE INCEPTION 29-MAY-20)

Alpha (Jensen's)	0.60
Beta	1.20
R Squared	0.79
Sharpe Ratio	0.65

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.41
Gross Expense Ratio	0.55

Net Expense Ratio reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least June 30, 2024. Elimination of this reimbursement will result in higher fees and lower performance. Gross Expense Ratio is equal to the Funds Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Funds most recent prospectus dated June 30, 2023.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT





Tom Hancock Joined GMO in 1995 MS, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; PhD, Harvard University



Ty Cobb, CFA Joined GMO in 1997 MS, Suffolk University

**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include: (1) Market Risk - Equities: The market price of an equity may decline due to factors affecting the issuer or its industry or the economy and equity markets generally. Declines in stock market prices generally are likely to reduce the net asset value of the Fund's shares. (2) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results. (3) Focused Investment Risk: The Fund invests its assets in the securities of a limited number of issuers, and a decline in the market price of a particular security held by the Fund may affect the Fund's performance more than if the Fund invested in the securities of a larger number of issuers. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Fund's prospectus. Annualized Returns may include the impact of purchase premiums and redemption fees. Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit www.gmo.com.

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# CHARACTERISTICS

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	Portfolio	Index
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	25.5x	26.7x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	2.9x	3.1x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	18.4%	18.8%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	55.0 USD	107.1 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	46	2728
Net Debt/EBITDA - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.5x

# GICS GROUP WEIGHTS (%)

Sector	Portfolio	Index
Consumer Services	16.2	3.1
Financial Services	10.6	9.5
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	10.1	13.4
Energy	9.7	7.0
Capital Goods	8.4	11.5
Consumer Discretionary Distribution & Retail	5.9	7.5
Food, Beverage & Tobacco	5.8	5.1
Materials	5.8	6.6
Media & Entertainment	5.7	9.5
Banks	5.6	10.5
Consumer Durables & Apparel	5.6	2.5
Transportation	3.6	2.9
Insurance	2.6	4.8
Household & Personal Products	2.4	2.3
Automobiles & Components	2.0	3.8

# MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	Portfolio	Index
Small (5.5 & Below)	4.1	3.5
Small - Medium (5.5 To 16.2)	15.2	10.0
Medium (16.2 To 41.9)	22.3	16.0
Medium - Large (41.9 To 115.9)	25.1	23.4
Large (115.9 & Above)	33.3	47.1

# **TOP COUNTRIES (%)**

Country	Portfolio	Index
United States	54.9	63.9
United Kingdom	10.0	3.4
Mexico	6.8	0.3
Spain	6.3	0.6
France	6.0	2.8
Canada	4.5	2.8
Ireland	3.6	0.1
Germany	2.3	2.0
Finland	1.6	0.2
Brazil	1.3	0.5

# REGIONS (%)

Region	Portfolio	Index
United States	54.9	63.9
Europe	30.3	15.5
Rest of World	13.7	20.7
Cash Equivalents	1.1	0.0

# **TOP HOLDINGS**

Company	Sector	%
Safran SA	Industrials	3.8
American Express Co	Financials	3.7
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	Consumer Discretionary	3.7
Fomento Economico Mexicano SAB de CV	Consumer Staples	3.7
Intercontinental Exchange Inc	Financials	3.6
Ryanair Holdings PLC	Industrials	3.6
Booking Holdings Inc	Consumer Discretionary	3.6
Compass Group PLC	Consumer Discretionary	3.5
Micron Technology Inc	Information Technology	3.5
Wells Fargo & Co	Financials	3.5
Total		36.2

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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Index(es): The MSCI ACWI (All Country World) Index (MSCI Standard Index Series, net of withholding tax) is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of global developed and emerging markets. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder. Please visit https://www.gmo.com/americas/benchmark-disclaimers/ to review the complete benchmark disclaimer notice.

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#### GLOSSARY

Country Exposures: This portfolio continues to hold de minimis Russian exposure as a result of past positioning and ongoing illiquidity. GMO has suspended net new purchases of Russian securities firm-wide.

Risk Statistics: Risk profile data is net of fees. Alpha is a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta is a measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to the market. R-Squared is a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk.

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Top Holdings: Portfolio holdings are percent of equity. Where applicable, the top holdings are derived by looking through to the underlying funds in which the asset allocation funds invest and, where appropriate, individual security positions are aggregated. They are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy individual securities.

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