

# MULTI-SECTOR FIXED INCOME

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Multi-Sector Fixed Income Fund seeks to achieve total return in excess of that of its benchmark, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index, by extracting alpha opportunities without taking any secular bias in duration, maturity, rating, and overall aggregate composition. The Fund's investment program has two principal components. One component seeks to achieve a return commensurate with that of the Fund's benchmark. The second component seeks to add value relative to the Fund's benchmark by making investments that often will not track its benchmark.

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

	MTD	QTD	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Class III	-2.64	-2.64	1.69	6.02	-14.52	-3.17	7.88	9.64
Benchmark	-2.48	-2.48	1.86	5.53	-13.01	-1.54	7.51	8.72

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

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class III	10.63	-2.65	-0.77	1.23	4.23
Benchmark	10.55	-2.20	-0.23	1.49	4.19

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 30-SEP-24)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class III	10.74	-2.23	-0.24	1.66	4.34
Benchmark	11.57	-1.39	0.33	1.84	4.30

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. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com).**

## FACTS

Share Class	Class III
Share Class Ticker	GUGAX
Share Class Inception	30-Apr-97
Fund Inception	30-Apr-97
Total Assets	\$79mm USD
Benchmark	Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate

## RISK PROFILE (5-YEAR TRAILING)

Alpha (Jensen's)	-0.33
Beta	1.08
R Squared	0.95
Sharpe Ratio	-0.46
Standard Deviation	6.98

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.44
Gross Expense Ratio	0.74

**Net Expense Ratio** reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least June 30, 2025. 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, 2024.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



**Jason Hotra**  
Joined GMO in 2015  
BS, MIT



**James Donaldson,**  
CFA  
Joined GMO in 2010  
MBA, Boston College

**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include: (1) Market Risk - Equities: The market price of equities may decline due to factors affecting the issuer, its industries, 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) Credit Risk: The risk that the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income investment or the obligor of an obligation underlying an asset-backed security will be unable or unwilling to satisfy its obligation to pay principal and interest or otherwise to honor its obligations in a timely manner. (3) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results, including annualized returns and annualized volatility. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Fund's Prospectus. **Performance Returns:** Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. Annualized Returns may include the impact of purchase premiums and redemption fees. The GMO Trust funds are distributed in the United States by Funds Distributor LLC. GMO and Funds Distributor LLC are not affiliated.

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Effective Duration	6.1	6.1
Maturity	6.1	8.4
Emerging Cntry Debt Exp.	5.1%	N/A
Coupon	4.2%	3.4%

GLOBAL RATES CONTRIBUTION TO ACTIVE DURATION  
(YEARS OF DURATION)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>
New Zealand	0.2
Australia	0.1
United Kingdom	0.0
Canada	0.0
European Union	0.0
Japan	0.0
Sweden	-0.1
United States	-0.1
Switzerland	-0.1

## CONTRIBUTION TO DURATION (YEARS OF DURATION)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
U.S. Treasuries	2.5	2.6
Securitized	1.7	1.6
Corporates	1.5	1.7
Emerging Debt	0.3	0.0
Net Duration Overlay	0.1	0.0
Government Related	0.0	0.2

## PORTFOLIO RATING BREAKDOWN (%)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
AAA	9.0	2.9
AA	62.4	73.2
A	11.4	10.2
BBB	11.9	13.7
BB	1.7	0.0
B	0.9	0.0
CCC	1.0	0.0
CC	0.5	0.0
C	0.4	0.0
D	0.4	0.0
NR	0.5	0.0

TOP AND BOTTOM PORTFOLIO OVERLAY CURRENCY  
POSITIONS (%)

	<i>Portfolio</i>
Japan	2.4
Norway	2.3
United Kingdom	1.8
Canada	0.6
United States	-0.1
South Korea	-0.5
Australia	-0.6
Euro	-2.2
New Zealand	-2.3
Switzerland	-2.5

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Benchmark(s):** The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of U.S. fixed rate debt issues having a maturity of at least one year and rated investment grade or higher.

**An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. This and other important information can be found in the funds prospectus. To obtain a prospectus please visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). Read the prospectus carefully before investing.**

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## GLOSSARY

**Fixed Income Characteristics:** Yield (i.e., Yield-to-Worst) is internally calculated as the weighted average yield on the cash bonds over the total market value of the portfolio.

**Country Contribution to Duration:** Country contribution to duration is measure of each country's contribution to the overall portfolio duration.

**Credit Ratings:** The credit ratings above may encompass emerging debt, developed rates, and asset-backed exposure. Ratings for core portfolio holdings are derived by using the middle rating from Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch. Ratings for core holdings were adjusted during the January 2021 reporting period to conform with index provider methodology. Ratings for the emerging debt portion of the portfolio are derived by applying the Standard and Poor's or Moody's issue-level ratings (sequentially), and the S&P LT Foreign currency (FC) country issuer rating for the FC debt securities and/or S&P LT Local currency (LC) country issuer rating for LC securities where a security is not rated by either of the abovementioned credit rating agencies. Final credit ratings are expressed based upon Standard and Poor's ratings scale. Standard & Poor's rates securities from AAA (highest quality) to C (lowest quality), and D to indicate securities in default; some securities are not rated (NR). BB and below are considered below investment grade securities. Please refer to our website for additional information: <https://www.gmo.com/americas/benchmark-disclaimers/>

**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. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio.

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