

# EMERGING MARKETS EX-CHINA

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Emerging Markets ex-China Strategy seeks total return in excess of that of its benchmark, the MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Index. GMO uses proprietary quantitative techniques and fundamental analysis to evaluate and select countries, sectors, and equity investments based on factors including, but not limited to, valuation, quality, patterns of price movement and volatility, and macroeconomic factors. GMO also may consider ESG (environmental, social and governance) criteria and expects the Strategy will have a value bias relative to its benchmark.

## FACTS

Strategy Inception	18-Oct-21
Composite Inception	31-Oct-21
Total Assets	\$515mm USD
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China

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

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
Composite	0.82	0.24	2.41	27.40	-32.48	1.44
Benchmark	-0.10	-1.39	2.22	20.03	-19.26	1.26

## RISK PROFILE (SINCE INCEPTION 29-OCT-21)

Alpha (Jensen's)	-4.11
Beta	1.08
R Squared	0.84
Sharpe Ratio	-0.37
Standard Deviation	20.81

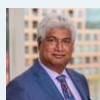
## ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Composite	23.08	-	-	-	-4.26
Benchmark	15.84	-	-	-	0.13

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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**Risks:** Risks associated with an investment in the Strategy may include Market Risk - Equities, Non-U.S. Investment Risk, Currency Risk, Management and Operational Risk, and Illiquidity Risk. 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](http://www.gmo.com).

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	11.1x	23.1x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4x	1.8x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	10.1x	11.2x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Avg	20.0%	17.0%
Debt/Equity - Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.4x
Dividend Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	6.0%	2.8%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	6.1 USD	14.8 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	313	657

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Communication Services	0.6	4.4
Consumer Discretionary	3.6	6.9
Consumer Staples	8.2	5.7
Energy	15.1	5.8
Financials	25.1	24.0
Health Care	1.1	2.9
Industrials	5.4	7.8
Information Technology	25.0	29.7
Materials	8.6	8.5
Real Estate	0.4	1.2
Utilities	7.0	3.0

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Small (5.5 & Below)	45.2	23.4
Small - Medium (5.5 To 16.0)	24.4	29.3
Medium (16.0 To 40.5)	17.1	20.1
Medium - Large (40.5 To 116.6)	3.2	9.9
Large (116.6 & Above)	10.2	17.3

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Taiwan	27.6	24.8
India	17.0	24.9
Brazil	13.2	6.4
South Korea	7.1	15.9
Mexico	6.8	3.4
South Africa	6.8	3.9
Indonesia	5.9	2.1
Hungary	3.7	0.3
Viet Nam	2.4	0.0
Thailand	2.0	2.0

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
East Asia (Emerging)	34.7	41.4
South Asia (Emerging)	28.1	31.0
Latin/South America (Emerging)	21.3	11.1
Mideast/Africa (Emerging)	8.1	12.7
Europe (Emerging)	6.2	3.8
Cash Equivalents	1.5	0.0

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>%</i>
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	8.4
Petroleo Brasileiro SA	3.7
Grupo Financiero Banorte SAB de CV	3.3
OTP Bank Nyrt	3.1
Oil & Natural Gas Corp Ltd	2.9
Catcher Technology Co Ltd	2.4
Cia Energetica de Minas Gerais	2.3
FirstRand Ltd	2.2
Yang Ming Marine Transport Corp	2.1
Bank Central Asia Tbk PT	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>32.5</b>

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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**The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.**

## GLOSSARY

**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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