

# QUALITY SELECT INVESTMENT

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Quality Select Investment Fund seeks to generate total return by investing primarily in equities the Focused Equity team believes to be of high quality. The team believes that companies with established track records of historical profitability and strong fundamentals – high quality companies – are able to outgrow the average company over time, and are therefore worth a premium price. The Fund's disciplined approach uses both quantitative and fundamental techniques to assess the relative quality and valuation of global companies and aims to exploit a long-term investment horizon while withstanding short-term volatility. The Fund will be managed to maintain a portfolio-level carbon footprint that is below the level of that of the MSCI World Index. In addition, GMO excludes from the investment universe: (i) companies that appear on the Norges Bank's Exclusion List; and (ii) companies it determines to be in the following industries: fossil fuels, tobacco, alcohol, gambling, adult entertainment, and controversial munitions.

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

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>
USD Class D	1.19	5.76	22.93	6.85
Index	1.83	6.36	18.86	7.69

## 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>
USD Class D	37.68	-	-	-	29.10
Index	32.43	-	-	-	26.00

## FACTS

Class	USD Class D
ISIN	IE000718R490
Class Inception	6-Sep-23
Fund Inception	6-Sep-23
Total Assets	\$192mm USD
Management Fee	0.39% p.a.
Pricing Frequency	Daily
SFDR Classification	Article 8
Index	MSCI World

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	24.4x	23.4x
Return on Equity - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	27.1%	21.4%
Dividend Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4%	1.7%
Free Cash Flow Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	3.1%	3.5%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	265.2 USD	132.5 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	40	1386
Net Debt/EBITDA - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.6x

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Communication Services	8.9	7.6
Consumer Discretionary	9.4	10.3
Consumer Staples	11.3	6.5
Energy	0.0	3.9
Financials	7.2	15.4
Health Care	25.4	11.7
Industrials	2.3	11.1
Information Technology	35.5	24.8
Materials	0.0	3.8
Real Estate	0.0	2.3
Utilities	0.0	2.7

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>
Small (5.8 & Below)	0.0
Small - Medium (5.8 To 17.2)	0.3
Medium (17.2 To 43.9)	5.6
Medium - Large (43.9 To 120.9)	14.8
Large (120.9 & Above)	79.2

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	6.3
Apple Inc	Information Technology	5.4
Meta Platforms Inc	Communication Services	4.5
Coca-Cola Co/The	Consumer Staples	4.4
Alphabet Inc	Communication Services	4.3
Oracle Corp	Information Technology	3.7
UnitedHealth Group Inc	Health Care	3.7
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	3.5
Texas Instruments Inc	Information Technology	3.1
Elevance Health Inc	Health Care	3.1
<b>Total</b>		<b>42.0</b>

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
United States	79.5	71.8
Europe	15.5	16.4
Rest of World	3.0	11.7
Cash Equivalents	2.0	0.0

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