

# QUALITY CYCLICALS CLASS I

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Quality Cyclical 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 it believes are of higher quality than their industry peers. These quality cyclical businesses tend to be structurally underappreciated by the market, which at times of elevated stress can create attractive investment opportunities.

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

	MTD	QTD	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020
Class I	-2.04	-2.04	6.61	22.58	-12.78	2.37	
Class VI	-2.04	-2.04	6.80	22.85	-12.64	15.62	47.69
Index	-2.24	-2.24	16.00	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 I	24.60	4.14	-	-	4.79
Class VI	24.85	4.34	-	-	16.21
Index	32.79	5.51	-	-	6.28

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

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class I	21.21	6.47	-	-	5.60
Class VI	21.51	6.69	-	-	17.09
Index	31.76	8.09	-	-	7.20

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).** The portfolio is not managed relative to a benchmark. References to an index are for informational purposes only. Performance is shown for both the applicable share class and the representative share class in the Fund.

## FACTS

Share Class	Class I
Share Class Ticker	GMAOX
Share Class Inception	16-Jul-21
Fund Inception	12-May-20
Total Assets	\$78mm USD
Index	MSCI ACWI

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

Alpha (Jensen's)	-1.49
Beta	1.19
R Squared	0.78
Sharpe Ratio	0.55

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.61
Gross Expense Ratio	0.79

**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



**Anthony Hene, CFA**  
Joined GMO in 1995  
MS, University of Oxford



**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 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) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results, including annualized returns and annualized volatility. (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. **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>Index</i>
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	24.5x	29.3x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	2.9x	3.1x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	17.8%	19.4%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	61.9 USD	115.8 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	47	2580
Net Debt/EBITDA - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	0.6x	0.5x

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Small (5.5 & Below)	1.5	3.1
Small - Medium (5.5 To 16.4)	19.9	9.5
Medium (16.4 To 43.4)	18.8	15.6
Medium - Large (43.4 To 119.4)	31.3	23.0
Large (119.4 & Above)	28.4	48.8

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
United States	52.4	65.2
United Kingdom	12.8	3.2
Spain	7.4	0.6
France	5.7	2.4
Mexico	5.7	0.2
Ireland	4.2	0.1
Canada	3.4	2.7
Germany	2.8	2.0
Netherlands	2.0	1.0
Finland	1.3	0.2

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
United States	52.4	65.2
Europe	36.7	14.3
Rest of World	10.2	20.5
Cash Equivalents	0.7	0.0

## GICS GROUP WEIGHTS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Consumer Services	17.5	3.2
Capital Goods	11.3	11.5
Financial Services	11.1	9.9
Energy	9.0	6.3
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	7.8	14.6
Banks	6.3	10.9
Media & Entertainment	6.2	9.9
Consumer Discretionary Distribution & Retail	6.1	7.4
Consumer Durables & Apparel	5.8	2.2
Food, Beverage & Tobacco	5.7	4.7
Materials	3.9	6.1
Transportation	3.3	2.6
Insurance	2.7	4.9
Automobiles & Components	2.0	3.5
Household & Personal Products	1.3	2.2

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Booking Holdings Inc	Consumer Discretionary	4.7
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	Consumer Discretionary	4.2
Intercontinental Exchange Inc	Financials	4.2
Compass Group PLC	Consumer Discretionary	4.0
Wells Fargo & Co	Financials	3.9
Safran SA	Industrials	3.7
Brookfield Corp	Financials	3.5
Meta Platforms Inc	Communication Services	3.4
American Express Co	Financials	3.4
Ryanair Holdings PLC	Industrials	3.3
<b>Total</b>		<b>38.3</b>

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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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.

**Sector Exposures:** The Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) is the exclusive intellectual property of MSCI Inc. (MSCI) and Standard & Poor's, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (S&P). Neither MSCI, S&P, nor any third party makes any representations or warranties, express or implied, with respect to GICS or the results to be obtained by the use thereof, and expressly disclaim all warranties, including of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Neither MSCI, S&P, nor any third party shall have any liability for any damages of any kind relating to the use of GICS.

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