

# U.S. QUALITY ETF

## OVERVIEW

The GMO U.S. Quality ETF seeks to generate total return by investing in U.S. 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 GMO U.S. Quality ETF's disciplined approach uses both quantitative and fundamental techniques to assess the relative quality and valuation of U.S.-domiciled companies and aims to exploit a long-term investment horizon while withstanding short-term volatility in an actively managed ETF format.

## WHY GMO QUALITY

- GMO is a pioneer in quality investing with 40+ years of experience
- Our valuation focus seeks to enhance returns and mitigate risk
- The actively managed ETF structure may offer tax efficiency

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

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>
NAV	-3.17	-3.17	19.10	6.65
Benchmark	-0.91	-0.91	20.97	8.39
Market Price	-3.25	-3.25	19.08	5.50
Benchmark	-0.91	-0.91	20.97	6.34

## 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>
NAV	-	-	-	-	27.01
Benchmark	-	-	-	-	31.12
Market Price	-	-	-	-	25.62
Benchmark	-	-	-	-	28.64

NAV Inception Date: 13-Nov-23

Market Price Inception Date: 14-Nov-23

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## FACTS

Inception	13-Nov-23
Ticker	QLTY
CUSIP	90139K100
Exchange	NYSE
Total Assets	\$1.2bn USD
Benchmark	S&P 500

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.50
Expense Ratio	0.50

Expense Ratio is equal to the Fund's Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Fund's most recent prospectus dated November 1, 2024.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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Joined GMO in 1995  
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Polytechnic Institute;  
PhD, Harvard University



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CHARACTERISTICS

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	23.2x	25.3x
Return on Equity - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	27.1%	27.0%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	267.3 USD	259.2 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	35	496
Net Debt/EBITDA - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	0.5x	0.3x

SECTORS (%)

Sector	Portfolio	Benchmark
Communication Services	9.0	9.1
Consumer Discretionary	9.8	10.0
Consumer Staples	9.4	5.8
Energy	0.0	3.4
Financials	8.0	13.4
Health Care	25.4	11.2
Industrials	4.0	8.5
Information Technology	34.5	31.7
Materials	0.0	2.2
Real Estate	0.0	2.3
Utilities	0.0	2.5

MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Small (5.5 & Below)	0.0	0.0
Small - Medium (5.5 To 16.4)	2.6	2.6
Medium (16.4 To 43.4)	5.2	10.6
Medium - Large (43.4 To 119.4)	16.4	19.6
Large (119.4 & Above)	75.8	67.1

TOP HOLDINGS

Company	Sector	%
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	6.5
Apple Inc	Information Technology	5.3
Oracle Corp	Information Technology	4.7
Meta Platforms Inc	Communication Services	4.5
Alphabet Inc	Communication Services	4.4
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	4.2
Abbott Laboratories	Health Care	4.2
UnitedHealth Group Inc	Health Care	3.6
Texas Instruments Inc	Information Technology	3.5
Accenture PLC	Information Technology	3.3
Total		44.2

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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