

# QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REVIEW

### Equity Dislocation Investment Fund USD Class A

#### Performance returns (USD)

ANNUALIZED RETURNS (QUARTER-END)	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Equity Dislocation Investment Fund USD Class A (net)	3.39	3.39	-2.74	2.96	-	-	2.44
Equity Dislocation Investment Fund USD Class A (gross)	3.94	3.94	-0.62	5.22	-	-	4.74
FTSE 3-Mo. T-Bill	1.10	1.10	5.19	4.42	-	-	3.41
Value Add	+2.29	+2.29	-7.93	-1.46	-	-	-0.96

Data Source: GMO

#### MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

For the first quarter of 2025, MSCI ACWI returned -1.3%, with MSCI ACWI Value outperforming with a return of 4.8% and MSCI ACWI Growth underperforming with a return of -6.8%. The Equity Dislocation Investment Fund aims to be dollar and (broadly) beta neutral and, for the quarter, it had an average long exposure of 101.9% and an average short exposure of 101.6%. The long portfolio performed a little behind ACWI Value, while the short portfolio also detracted alpha as it had much better performance than ACWI Growth. However, the poor performance of ACWI Growth was heavily impacted by the faltering Magnificent Seven, with the cohort down broadly 15% for the quarter. With the notable exception of Tesla, we don't believe that this is a group that are egregiously expensive enough to short. The net for the Equity Dislocation Investment Fund was, therefore, behind MSCI ACWI Value's 11.6% performance versus MSCI ACWI Growth for the quarter. Since inception, the portfolio remains ahead of ACWI Value minus ACWI Growth, and we are very pleased by the strong return profile. We believe that the opportunity set remains extremely compelling.

For the quarter, stock selection within countries across the long book added 280 bps relative to MSCI ACWI, driven by Denmark (70 bps), Thailand (50 bps), the Netherlands (50 bps), and the U.S. (40 bps), with the largest offsetting detractions from Germany (-30 bps) and China (-30 bps). Stock selection in the short book had a total positive impact against MSCI ACWI of 120 bps. The biggest detractors were the U.S. (-80 bps), Canada (-70 bps), and China (-40 bps), while the biggest contributions came from Germany (50 bps), Australia (40 bps), Italy (40 bps), and the UK (40 bps). There were some modest country bets, although these are typically residuals driven by bottom-up security selection. The biggest net long position was a 2.0% long exposure to Denmark, and the biggest net short position was a 1.8% short exposure to the UK. In aggregate, a lot of small losses meant that country positions had a -80 bp impact on performance for the first quarter.

#### 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) Short Investment Exposure Risk: a Fund will incur a loss as a result of a short sale if the price of the security, currency or other instrument increases between the date of the short sale and the date on which the Fund replaces the borrowed security, currency or other instrument. Conversely, the Fund will realize a gain if the price of the security, currency or other instrument declines between those dates. The amount of any gain will be decreased, and the amount of any loss increased, by the amount of the premium, dividends or interest the Fund may be required to pay in connection with a short sale. Short selling exposes a Fund to unlimited risk with respect to that security, currency or other instrument due to the lack of an upper limit on the price to which an investment can rise; and (3) Non-U.S. Investment Risk: the market prices of many non-U.S. securities (particularly of companies tied economically to emerging countries) fluctuate more than those of U.S. securities. Many non-U.S. markets (particularly emerging markets) are less stable, smaller, less liquid, and less regulated than U.S. markets, and the cost of trading in those markets often is higher than it is in U.S. markets. For a more complete discussion of these and other risks, please consult the Fund's Prospectus.

Inception Date: 10-May-21

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We are prepared to run modestly larger sector bets, up to about 10% net long or short, and the two biggest positions in this regard over the quarter were an 8.2% net long position in Financials and a -6.0% net short position in Industrials. Our sector positioning added 90 bps to performance. Stock selection across the long book was positive in seven of the eleven sectors, negative in one sector, and broadly flat in the other three sectors, adding 360 bps altogether. The main contributors were Consumer Discretionary (100 bps), Information Technology (70 bps), and Communication Services (70 bps). Stock selection in the short book was positive in four of the eleven sectors, broadly flat in two sectors, and negative in the other five, with an impact of -120 bps detracted from performance in aggregate. The positive impacts included Health Care (50 bps) and Financials (40 bps), while the detractors were Communication Services (-60 bps), Consumer Discretionary (-60 bps), Materials (-60 bps), Information Technology (-50 bps), and Industrials (-40 bps).

Four of the top five biggest contributors at the total portfolio level were long positions including Leonardo (Italy Industrials), Societe Generale (France Financials), CVS (U.S. Health Care), and Banco Santander (Spain Financials). On the flipside, one of the top five biggest detractors at the total portfolio level, ON Semiconductor (U.S. Information Technology), was a long position.



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#### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GMO Equity Dislocation Investment Fund seeks high total return. It aims to own attractively valued equities while correspondingly shorting equities where we believe that valuations are reflective of implausible growth expectations. Currently, the Fund is long global Value, short global Growth, to take advantage of the exceptionally wide valuation spread between Value and Growth.

The eligible universe for both the long and short side spans the market capitalization spectrum and includes both developed and emerging markets. Utilizing GMO's proprietary Price to Fair Value model to actively select the cheapest and most expensive stocks, the portfolio is diversified across sectors, countries, and regions and is intended to be approximately beta neutral.

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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Investors and potential investors can also obtain the prospectus and key investor information, and a summary of investor rights and information on access to collective redress mechanisms, in English and local languages where the Fund is registered, at the following website:

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