

# EMERGING MARKETS EX-CHINA

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Emerging Markets ex-China Fund 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, macroeconomic factors, and ESG (environmental, social and governance) criteria. GMO expects the Fund will have a value bias relative to its benchmark.

## 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>
Class VI	2.31	1.24	1.24	27.28	-32.39	0.46
Benchmark	3.55	0.98	0.98	20.03	-19.26	-0.11

## 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>
Class VI	24.22	-	-	-	-5.48
Benchmark	19.71	-	-	-	-0.99

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 30-SEP-23)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Class VI	24.69	-	-	-	-13.87
Benchmark	14.67	-	-	-	-7.68

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.**

## FACTS

Share Class	Class VI
Share Class Ticker	GMAQX
Share Class Inception	18-Oct-21
Fund Inception	18-Oct-21
Total Assets	\$237mm USD
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China

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

Alpha (Jensen's)	-4.47
Beta	1.11
R Squared	0.83
Sharpe Ratio	-0.38
Standard Deviation	22.44

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.67
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, 2024. 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, 2023.**

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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Joined GMO in 2015  
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**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include those as follows. (1) Market Risk - Equities: The market price of an equity may decline due to factors affecting the issuer or its industry 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) 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. These and other risks (e.g., nationalization, expropriation or other confiscation of assets of non-U.S. issuers) tend to be greater for investments in companies tied economically to emerging countries, the economies of which tend to be more volatile than the economies of developed countries. (3) Currency Risk: Fluctuations in exchange rates can adversely affect the market value of the Fund's non-U.S. currency holdings and investments denominated in non-U.S. currencies. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Fund's prospectus. Annualized Returns may include the impact of purchase premiums and redemption fees. 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	13.0x	21.0x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4x	1.9x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	8.5x	12.9x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Avg	20.0%	17.1%
Debt/Equity - Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.5x
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	7.4 USD	14.7 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	310	663

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Communication Services	1.0	4.7
Consumer Discretionary	2.3	6.8
Consumer Staples	9.9	6.0
Energy	15.6	6.1
Financials	25.2	24.8
Health Care	1.6	3.1
Industrials	7.3	7.5
Information Technology	24.6	28.3
Materials	8.3	8.5
Real Estate	0.1	1.3
Utilities	4.0	2.9

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Small (5.4 & Below)	40.9	22.7
Small - Medium (5.4 To 15.8)	27.8	29.4
Medium (15.8 To 40.7)	17.6	20.7
Medium - Large (40.7 To 113.2)	3.6	11.2
Large (113.2 & Above)	10.1	16.1

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Taiwan	26.5	22.5
India	15.8	23.8
Brazil	11.4	7.4
South Africa	9.3	3.7
South Korea	8.1	16.9
Mexico	6.9	3.5
Indonesia	5.9	2.6
Hungary	3.7	0.4
Poland	2.8	1.3
Viet Nam	2.5	0.0

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
East Asia (Emerging)	34.6	40.3
South Asia (Emerging)	26.2	30.3
Latin/South America (Emerging)	19.2	12.1
Mideast/Africa (Emerging)	10.3	13.7
Europe (Emerging)	7.6	3.5
Cash Equivalents	2.2	0.0

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>%</i>
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	7.5
Petroleo Brasileiro SA	4.0
Grupo Financiero Banorte SAB de CV	3.3
OTP Bank Nyrt	3.2
Oil & Natural Gas Corp Ltd	3.2
Evergreen Marine Corp Taiwan Ltd	2.9
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	2.6
Catcher Technology Co Ltd	2.3
FirstRand Ltd	2.2
ITC Ltd	2.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>33.4</b>

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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**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.

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**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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