

# EMERGING MARKETS EX-CHINA

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Emerging Markets ex-China Fund seeks total return by investing primarily in emerging (non-developed) market equities. The Fund measures its performance against the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

The Fund's investment approach is grounded in the Systematic Equity team's belief that, in the short term, equity markets exhibit exploitable inefficiencies as a result of irrational investor actions, the imperfect flow of information, and the participation of non-economic actors, while in the long-term returns are ultimately driven by economic reality. The Fund aims to take advantage of these inefficiencies by utilizing a multi-factor valuation model in conjunction with other methods, such as momentum and corporate alerts, to identify undervalued equity securities.

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

	MTD	QTD	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021
Class VI	5.70	5.70	27.75	0.38	27.28	-32.39	0.46
Benchmark	7.80	7.80	31.66	3.56	20.03	-19.26	-0.11

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

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class VI	22.76	20.64	-	-	2.59
Benchmark	25.85	19.65	-	-	7.10

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 30-SEP-25)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class VI	10.54	20.49	-	-	1.21
Benchmark	12.22	17.91	-	-	5.24

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).**

**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) 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; and (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 and other risks, 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.

## FACTS

Share Class	Class VI
Share Class Ticker	GMAQX
Share Class Inception	18-Oct-21
Fund Inception	18-Oct-21
Total Assets	\$81mm USD
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China

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

Alpha (Jensen's)	-4.85
Beta	1.03
R Squared	0.81
Sharpe Ratio	-0.06
Standard Deviation	18.49

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.68
Gross Expense Ratio	1.13

**Net Expense Ratio reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least June 30, 2026. 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, 2025.**

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



**George Sakoulis**  
Joined GMO in 2020  
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Joined GMO in 2015  
MBA, University of California, Berkeley

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	9.8x	18.0x
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	10.1x	21.9x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4x	2.3x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	8.0x	12.9x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	16.4%	18.5%
Debt/Equity - Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.4x
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	9.2 USD	22.8 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	179	612
Active Share	69.0%	N/A

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Small (6.1 & Below)	36.9	18.0
Small - Medium (6.1 To 19.1)	30.2	28.5
Medium (19.1 To 48.6)	9.6	16.9
Medium - Large (48.6 To 149.0)	4.0	11.4
Large (149.0 & Above)	19.4	25.3

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Taiwan	33.2	28.8
South Korea	14.8	18.1
India	14.1	21.4
Indonesia	8.9	1.6
Thailand	5.5	1.4
Brazil	5.3	5.8
Hungary	4.6	0.4
United Arab Emirates	3.7	2.0
Mexico	3.2	2.7
Saudi Arabia	2.0	4.5

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
East Asia (Emerging)	48.0	47.4
South Asia (Emerging)	28.8	26.0
Latin/South America (Emerging)	9.5	9.8
Mideast/Africa (Emerging)	7.2	13.3
Europe (Emerging)	5.8	3.4
Cash Equivalents	0.8	0.0

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Communication Services	1.6	4.4
Consumer Discretionary	8.5	5.8
Consumer Staples	4.4	4.1
Energy	5.5	4.4
Financials	21.9	23.8
Health Care	5.0	2.7
Industrials	11.7	7.9
Information Technology	30.9	35.9
Materials	5.7	7.3
Real Estate	1.4	1.3
Utilities	3.4	2.5

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	15.2
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	Information Technology	4.2
Hyundai Mobis Co Ltd	South Korea	Consumer Discretionary	2.9
OTP Bank Nyrt	Hungary	Financials	2.9
Astra International Tbk PT	Indonesia	Industrials	2.8
Evergreen Marine Corp Taiwan Ltd	Taiwan	Industrials	2.6
Hon Hai Precision Industry Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	1.9
Hindalco Industries Ltd	India	Materials	1.7
Kia Corp	South Korea	Consumer Discretionary	1.7
Asustek Computer Inc	Taiwan	Information Technology	1.6
<b>Total</b>			<b>37.5</b>

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. This and other important information can be found in the funds prospectus. To obtain a prospectus please visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). Read the prospectus carefully before investing.**

**Benchmark(s):** The MSCI Emerging Markets ex China Index is an independently maintained and widely published index which captures large and mid cap representation within Emerging Markets (EM) countries, excluding China. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder.

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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. **Region Exposures:** Based on equity holdings.

**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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