

# INTERNATIONAL EQUITY

## OVERVIEW

The GMO International Equity Fund seeks to generate high total return by investing primarily in non-U.S. developed market equities. The Fund measures its performance against the MSCI EAFE 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	2020
Class III	1.83	9.74	9.74	12.98	20.49	-10.43	12.14	7.46
Index	-0.40	6.86	6.86	3.82	18.24	-14.45	11.26	7.82
Alternate Index	2.33	11.56	11.56	5.68	18.95	-5.58	10.89	-2.63

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

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class III	15.65	11.89	16.23	6.27	7.53
Index	5.00	6.05	11.77	5.39	5.37
Alternate Index	13.05	9.69	14.77	5.06	6.47

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 31-MAR-25)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
Class III	15.65	11.89	16.23	6.27	7.53
Index	5.00	6.05	11.77	5.39	5.37
Alternate Index	13.05	9.69	14.77	5.06	6.47

## FACTS

Share Class	Class III
Share Class Ticker	GMOIX
Share Class Inception	31-Mar-87
Fund Inception	31-Mar-87
Total Assets	\$1bn USD
Index	MSCI EAFE
Alternate Index	MSCI EAFE Value

## RISK PROFILE (5-YEAR TRAILING)

Alpha (Jensen's)	4.99
Beta	0.94
R Squared	0.91
Sharpe Ratio	0.86
Standard Deviation	15.83

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.68
Gross Expense Ratio	0.72

**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.

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 actively-managed, is not managed relative to a benchmark and uses the Index for performance comparison purposes only and, where applicable, to compute a performance fee. Returns include a substantial, one-time litigation settlement recovery received on December 16, 2024. This event contributed 5.25% to 2024 annual performance. Performance for other periods, including this date, was also positively impacted, sometimes materially. Without this recovery, performance would have been lower in both absolute terms and relative to the benchmark. Additional information is available upon request.

**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) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results, including annualized returns and annualized volatility. 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.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



**George Sakoulis**  
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MA & PhD, University of Washington



**Warren Chiang, CFA**  
Joined GMO in 2015  
MBA, University of California Berkeley

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	11.7x	15.5x
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	13.4x	21.1x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4x	1.9x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	9.8x	13.5x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	12.4%	14.1%
Debt/Equity - Wtd Mdn	0.7x	0.7x
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	32.9 USD	53.4 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	189	677
Active Share	80.7%	N/A

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Small (5.1 & Below)	9.7	2.6
Small - Medium (5.1 To 16.6)	21.4	17.7
Medium (16.6 To 44.3)	31.9	24.3
Medium - Large (44.3 To 127.6)	29.1	33.8
Large (127.6 & Above)	7.9	21.6

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Japan	24.1	21.7
United Kingdom	12.9	15.2
France	10.0	11.6
Netherlands	8.3	4.4
Germany	7.4	10.1
Spain	6.6	3.1
Italy	6.0	3.1
Switzerland	6.0	10.0
Singapore	4.9	1.7
Australia	2.9	6.6

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Europe (Developed)	64.1	66.8
Asia Pacific (Developed)	34.5	32.2
Cash Equivalents	1.4	0.0
Africa & Middle East (Developed)	0.0	0.9

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Communication Services	9.4	5.0
Consumer Discretionary	14.6	10.4
Consumer Staples	8.2	8.3
Energy	0.1	3.7
Financials	27.8	23.6
Health Care	8.4	12.2
Industrials	16.3	17.8
Information Technology	12.6	8.0
Materials	2.4	5.7
Real Estate	0.1	1.9
Utilities	0.2	3.4

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Roche Holding AG	Switzerland	Health Care	3.6
SAP SE	Germany	Information Technology	3.0
Sanofi SA	France	Health Care	2.9
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA	Spain	Financials	2.7
Deutsche Bank AG	Germany	Financials	2.7
Prosus NV	Netherlands	Consumer Discretionary	2.7
3i Group PLC	United Kingdom	Financials	2.6
British American Tobacco PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Staples	2.6
Banco de Sabadell SA	Spain	Financials	2.5
Cie de Saint-Gobain SA	France	Industrials	2.5
<b>Total</b>			<b>27.8</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.**

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## GLOSSARY

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