

# MULTI-ASSET CREDIT CLASS IV PROFILE

## INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

In today's constantly shifting markets, investors increasingly need flexible credit strategies that can adapt quickly to an environment of shorter and more frequent market dislocations. But many lack the tools to find the right balance between maintaining full exposure to each credit sector and reallocating quickly as markets change. GMO Multi-Asset Credit addresses this challenge by building a diversified, global credit portfolio that can pivot dynamically based on changing economic conditions.

## GMO APPROACH

### Flexible/Nimble

Small, dedicated teams focused on employing quantitative and fundamental techniques to uncover alpha opportunities. Our process is the opposite of bureaucratic – we are quick to alter our opinions and act when conditions warrant.

### Differentiated

Unique investment approach and successful track record in:

- Emerging Country Debt
- Structured Products
- High Yield
- Investment Grade

### High Conviction

We have a long history of focusing on the highest risk-adjusted return opportunities – even if it means straying far from a conventional benchmark.

## BEYOND THE FOUR CORE ALPHA ENGINES

We have deep expertise in many other credit markets, including:

- Leveraged Loans
- Agency MBS
- Emerging Markets Local Debt

### Derivatives

- Credit – U.S., Europe, Indexes, Tranches, Options
- Duration Management – Treasury Futures, Interest Rate Swaps
- Foreign Exchange

We expect to take positions in these asset classes when they screen well on a relative basis.

## BLENDS SYSTEMATIC AND FUNDAMENTAL STRATEGIES THAT EMPLOY HIGHLY DIFFERENTIATED INVESTMENT APPROACHES

High Yield (incepted 25-Jun-2018)		Securitized Credit (incepted 3-Oct-2011)		Systematic U.S. Investment Grade (incepted 3-Jun-2025)		Emerging Country Debt (incepted 19-Apr-1994)	
Quantitative factor-based investment approach that aims to exploit inefficiencies in the corporate High Yield sector		Unconstrained securitized portfolio with low historical beta to the market and capital preservation ability during drawdown periods		Bottom-up factor-based process leveraging extremely deep and long-running GMO quantitative investment process adapted to the corporate bond sector		Unconventional, bottom-up approach focused on "arbitrage-like" instrument selection and minimizing default risk	
Portfolio Weight:	12.48%	Portfolio Weight	44.96%	Portfolio Weight	10.01%	Portfolio Weight	13.08%
ITD Fund Performance (net)	%	ITD Fund Performance (net)	%	ITD Fund Performance (net)	%	ITD Fund Performance (net)	%
High Yield Fund Class VI	5.93	Opportunistic Income Fund Class VI	4.64	Systematic Investment Grade Credit ETF (NAV)	5.54	Emerging Country Debt Fund Class III	12.30
Markit iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield	5.07	Bloomberg U.S. Securitized+	1.28	Systematic Investment Grade Credit ETF (Market Price)	5.58	J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified +	8.40
				Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Index	5.56		
Value Add	+0.86	Value Add	+3.36	Value Add (vs. NAV)	-0.01	Value Add	+3.90

As of 31-Dec-25 | Source: GMO

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. 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). 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. Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) are bought and sold through exchange trading at market price (not NAV), and are not individually redeemed from the fund. Shares may trade at a premium or discount to their NAV in the secondary market. Brokerage commissions will reduce returns. 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 weights are as of 31-Dec-25 and may include Cash & Cash Equivalents, Fixed Income Instruments, Pooled Investments, Accrued Expenses, or Derivative Contracts.

**High Yield Fund:** Inception Date: 25-Jun-2018 | Net Expense Ratio: 0.36%; Gross Expense Ratio: 0.56% The Markit iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Index is an independently maintained index consisting of liquid USD high yield bonds, selected to provide a balanced representation of the broad USD high yield corporate bond universe.

**Opportunistic Income Fund:** Inception Date: 3-Oct-2011 | Net Expense Ratio: 0.49%; Gross Expense Ratio: 0.52% The portfolio is actively-managed, is not managed relative to a benchmark and uses an index for performance comparison purposes only and, where applicable, to compute a performance fee. The Bloomberg U.S. Securitized + Index is an internally maintained benchmark computed by GMO, comprised of (i) the J.P. Morgan U.S. 3 Month Cash through 12/30/2016 and (ii) the Bloomberg U.S. Securitized thereafter.

**Systematic Investment Grade Credit ETF:** NAV Inception Date: 3-Jun-2025, Market Price Inception Date: 3-Jun-2025 | Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses: 0.25% Expense Ratio is equal to the Fund's Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Fund's most recent prospectus dated October 28, 2025. The Bloomberg US Corporate Index measures the investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market. It includes USD denominated securities publicly issued by US and non-US industrial, utility, and financial issuers. The index includes securities with remaining maturity of at least one year.

**Emerging Country Debt Fund:** Inception Date: 19-Apr-1994 | Net Expense Ratio: 0.61%; Gross Expense Ratio: 0.61%; Adjusted Expense Ratio: 0.55% Adjusted expense ratio excludes certain investment related costs, such as dividend and interest expense on short sales and interest expense incurred through entering into reverse repurchase agreements. The total of these costs, where applicable, can be found in the most recent prospectus. The J.P. Morgan EMBI (Emerging Markets Bond) Index Global Diversified + is an internally maintained benchmark computed by GMO, comprised of (i) the J.P. Morgan EMBI+ Index through 12/31/1999; (ii) the J.P. Morgan EMBI Index Global through 2/28/2020, and the J.P. Morgan EMBI Index Global Diversified (iii) thereafter.

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# MULTI-ASSET CREDIT

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Multi-Asset Credit Fund seeks total return and capital appreciation aiming to maximize alpha potential by harvesting what we identify as the most attractively priced credit risk premia through a dynamic allocation process across the credit spectrum. Our team utilizes a robust research framework that combines top-down and bottom-up analysis along with fundamental and quantitative techniques across various fixed income markets, including Emerging Country Debt, Structured Products, High Yield, Investment Grade, Loans, and Mortgages. Our investment process places a strong emphasis on relative value analysis, allowing us to employ a benchmark agnostic investment style that we believe sets us apart. We have the agility to capitalize on fleeting relative value opportunities across fixed income markets, ensuring we stay ahead of market dynamics. Our Fund attempts to maintain a balanced approach between risk and return by focusing on capital preservation during market downturns while looking to avoid premium priced securities in overvalued markets.

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

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2025</i>
Class IV	0.22	1.84	6.88	6.88
Benchmark	0.32	1.78	7.95	7.95

## 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 IV	-	-	-	-	6.88
Benchmark	-	-	-	-	7.95

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

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Class IV	-	-	-	-	6.88
Benchmark	-	-	-	-	7.95

## FACTS

Share Class	Class IV
Share Class Ticker	GMCHX
Share Class Inception	21-May-25
Fund Inception	21-May-25
Total Assets	
Benchmark	Multi-Asset Credit Blended Benchmark

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

Net Expense Ratio	0.50%
Gross Expense Ratio	0.91%

**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.

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) Credit Risk: the risk that the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income investment or the obligor of an obligation underlying an asset-backed security will be unable or unwilling to satisfy its obligation to pay principal and interest or otherwise to honor its obligations in a timely manner; (2) Market Risk-Asset-Backed Securities Risk: the market price of asset-backed securities, like that of other fixed income investments with complex structures, can decline for a variety of reasons, including investor uncertainty about their credit quality and the reliability of their payment streams. Payment streams associated with asset-backed securities held by the Fund depend on many factors (e.g., the cash flow generated by the assets backing the securities, deal structure, and creditworthiness of any credit-support provider), and a problem in any of these factors can lead to a reduction in the payment stream GMO expected the Fund to receive when the Fund purchased the asset-backed security; (3) Illiquidity Risk: low trading volume, lack of a market maker, large position size, or legal restrictions may limit or prevent the Fund from selling particular securities or closing derivative positions at desirable prices; and (4) Pooled Investment Vehicles Risk: Investments by a Fund in pooled investment vehicles may involve additional and/or a layering of fees, expenses, changes and other costs (including without limitation, purchase premiums and redemption fees, if any). 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



**Joe Auth, CFA**  
Joined GMO in 2014  
MBA, University of Connecticut



**Kevin Breau, CFA**  
Joined GMO in 2008  
BS, Duke University

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CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Spread Duration	2.3	5.4
Spread	118.0bps	140.3bps
Effective Duration	3.9	5.2
Credit (%)	80.0%	100.0%

CREDIT RATINGS (%)

	<i>%</i>
AAA	21.8
AA	27.5
A	3.9
BBB	11.6
BB	13.0
B	7.1
CCC	7.1
CC	1.3
C	0.9
D	2.3
NR	3.4

SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Agency MBS	7.5	0.0
Emerging Debt	5.1	25.0
High Yield Corporates	12.5	25.0
Investment Grade Corporates	10.0	25.0
Securitized	45.0	25.0
Tactical Long/Short	-0.1	0.0
U.S. Treasuries	6.2	0.0

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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 Multi-Asset Credit Blended Benchmark is an internally maintained benchmark computed by GMO, comprised of (i) 25% Bloomberg U.S. Securitized Index, (ii) 25% Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index, (iii) 25% Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Index, and (iv) 25% J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified.

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## GLOSSARY

**Credit Ratings:** The credit ratings above may encompass emerging debt, developed rates, and asset-backed exposure. Ratings for core portfolio holdings are derived by using the middle rating from Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch. Ratings for core holdings were adjusted during the January 2021 reporting period to conform with index provider methodology. Ratings for the emerging debt portion of the portfolio are derived by applying the Standard and Poor's or Moody's issue-level ratings (sequentially), and the S&P LT Foreign currency (FC) country issuer rating for the FC debt securities and/or S&P LT Local currency (LC) country issuer rating for LC securities where a security is not rated by either of the abovementioned credit rating agencies. Final credit ratings are expressed based upon Standard and Poor's ratings scale. Standard & Poor's rates securities from AAA (highest quality) to C (lowest quality), and D to indicate securities in default; some securities are not rated (NR). BB and below are considered below investment grade securities. Please refer to our website for additional information: <https://www.gmo.com/americas/benchmark-disclaimers/>. Please refer to <https://www.gmo.com/americas/glossary-of-terms/> for additional portfolio characteristic definitions.

## ABOUT GMO

Founded in 1977, GMO is a global asset manager committed to delivering superior performance and advice to our clients. We are privately owned, which allows us to singularly focus on our sole business – achieving outstanding long-term client investment outcomes. Offering multi-asset, equity, fixed income, and alternative strategies, we invest with a long-term, valuation-based philosophical approach.

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## ADDITIONAL GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Coupon**

The annual income received from a fixed-income security, expressed as a percentage of the par value of the security and par weighted on portfolio level.

**Credit (%)**

The proportion of a mutual fund's total net assets that is invested in credit instruments—such as corporate bonds, securitized debt, or other credit-related securities—expressed as a percentage. This metric indicates the fund's exposure to credit markets and associated credit risk.

**Effective Duration**

A measure of a portfolio's price sensitivity to interest rate changes, including expected changes in cash flows caused by embedded options. The higher the effective duration, the higher the sensitivity to interest rate changes.

**Maturity**

A weighted average of all the maturities of the bonds in a portfolio, computed by weighting each bond's effective maturity by the market value of the security.

**Modified Duration**

A measure of a portfolio's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. It estimates the percentage change in price for a 1% (100 basis point) change in yield, assuming all other factors remain constant.

**Spread**

The difference between the yield on a bond or credit instrument and the yield on a benchmark security of similar maturity, typically a government bond. It reflects the additional compensation investors receive for taking on credit risk and is usually expressed in basis points.

**Spread Duration**

A measure of the portfolio's sensitivity to changes in credit spreads.

**Weighted Average Life**

A measure of average number of years until the principal of the securities is expected to be fully repaid.

**Yield to Maturity**

Represents the weighted average annualized return an investor would earn if the ETF's underlying bonds were held to maturity, assuming all interest payments are made as scheduled, bonds are held to maturity, coupons are reinvested at the same rate.