# MULTI-ASSET CREDIT

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Multi-Asset Credit Fund seeks total return and capital preservation, 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 and looking to avoid premium-priced securities in overvalued markets.

## FACTS

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|---|---|
| Share Class | Class IV |
| Share Class Ticker | GMCHX |
| Share Class Inception | 21-May-25 |
| Fund Inception | 21-May-25 |
| Total Assets | $205mm USD |
| Benchmark | Multi-Asset Credit Blended Benchmark |
| Alternate Benchmark | SOFR Index Plus 3% |

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

| | MTD | QTD | YTD | 2025 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class IV | 1.75 | 1.75 | 1.04 | 6.88 |
| Benchmark | 1.69 | 1.69 | -0.04 | 7.95 |
| Alternate Benchmark | 0.56 | 0.56 | 5.59 | 4.41 |

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

| | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | ITD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class IV | 2.07 | - | - | - | 5.46 |
| Benchmark | 0.86 | - | - | - | 5.41 |
| Alternate Benchmark | 6.79 | - | - | - | 6.98 |

## STANDARDIZED SEC RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)(AS OF 30-SEP-26)

| | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | ITD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class IV | 1.13 | - | - | - | 4.48 |
| Benchmark | 0.05 | - | - | - | 4.46 |
| Alternate Benchmark | 6.83 | - | - | - | 6.99 |

## RISK PROFILE (SINCE INCEPTION 30-MAY-25)

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|---|---|
| Alpha (Jensen's) | 0.43 |
| Beta | 0.79 |
| R Squared | 0.96 |
| Sharpe Ratio | 0.30 |
| Standard Deviation | 3.51 |

## ANNUAL EXPENSES (%)

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|---|---|
| Net Expense Ratio | 0.52 |
| Gross Expense Ratio | 1.81 |

**Net Expense Ratio reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least 30 June 2027. Elimination of this reimbursement will result in higher fees and lower performance.**
**Gross Expense Ratio is equal to the Fund's Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Funds most recent prospectus dated 30 June, 2026.**

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.**

**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 Breaux, CFA
Joined GMO in 2008
BS, Duke University

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## CHARACTERISTICS

| | Portfolio | Benchmark |
|---|---|---|
| Spread Duration | 2.7 | 5.3 |
| Spread | 117.9bps | 163.8bps |
| Effective Duration | 4.5 | 5.3 |

## CREDIT RATINGS (%)

| | % |
|---|---|
| AAA | 22.8 |
| AA | 29.7 |
| A | 4.3 |
| BBB | 10.2 |
| BB | 11.8 |
| B | 10.6 |
| NR | 3.4 |
| D | 1.0 |
| CCC | 4.4 |
| CC | 1.3 |
| C | 0.5 |

## SECTORS (%)

| Sector | Portfolio | Benchmark |
|---|---|---|
| Agency MBS | 7.4 | 0.0 |
| Emerging Debt | 7.5 | 25.0 |
| High Yield Corporates | 14.8 | 25.0 |
| Investment Grade Corporates | 9.9 | 25.0 |
| Securitized | 44.8 | 25.0 |
| Short Term Investments | 6.9 | 0.0 |
| Tactical Long/Short | -2.0 | 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. 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.The SOFR Index Plus 3% is comprised of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) plus 3% per annum.

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## GLOSSARY

**Credit Ratings:** The credit ratings above may encompass emerging debt, developed rates, and asset-backed exposures. Ratings for the developed rates exposures are derived by taking the lowest issue level rating between Standard and Poor's & Moody's scores and rolling these up into the portfolio's overall quality brackets. Ratings for emerging debt are determined using the middle of the Moody's, S&P, and Fitch ratings when all three are available, the lower of the two ratings when two ratings are available, and the sole rating when only one rating is available. Ratings for the asset-backed exposures are derived by using the lowest rating among rating agencies at the issue level. 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 and are included in the NR category. BB and below are considered below investment grade securities. Please refer to our website for additional information: https://www.gmo.com/americas/benchmark-disclaimers/

**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.
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.

**Option-Adjusted Spread**
Option-adjusted spread (OAS) is the spread over a benchmark yield curve that remains after accounting for the value of embedded options.

**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.

**Yield to Worst**
The lowest potential yield an investor can earn on a bond without the issuer defaulting, taking into account any call, put, or other early redemption features.