



Investment Strategy

North American Dynamic Equity (with simulated returns)

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Performance Inception Date September 2020
Assets Under Management \$5 017 061
Currency Canadian Dollar

Objective

The strategy's main objective is to complement our clients' traditional/benchmark-driven portfolios using a dynamic investment process leading to superior returns and managed in a prudent manner to preserve capital in adverse markets.

Through a full economic cycle, we aim to deliver a net return of 5% per annum above standard benchmarks.

Approach

We actively manage a high conviction portfolio composed of a maximum of 25 stocks derived from quantitative-driven models run against three broad North American indices (S&P/TSX Composite, S&P 500 and S&P 1000).

The portfolio is complemented by risk management strategies (through dynamic cash allocation, VIX-related instruments, etc.) to reduce portfolio downside risk.

Top 10 Holdings*	Country	Sector	Target Weight	Div. Yield	Forward P/E	P/CashFlow	Beta (5Y)	ROE	Debt/Equity	Mkt Cap (\$M)	
Allied Gold Corporation	CA	Materials	2,0%	0,0%	6,6	9,1	0,6	N/A	0,1	5 413	
Abrasilver Resource Corp	CA	Materials	2,0%	0,0%	N/A	N/A	2,5	N/A	N/A	1 859	
Aris Mining Corporation	CA	Materials	2,0%	0,0%	6,9	8,8	1,9	1,2%	0,6	4 937	
Ces Energy Solutions Corp	CA	Energy	2,0%	1,0%	19,0	14,5	1,0	25,3%	0,6	3 902	
Ciena Corp	US	Technology	2,0%	0,0%	81,5	149,8	1,1	12,1%	0,6	51 610	
G Mining Ventures Corp	CA	Materials	2,0%	0,0%	18,4	23,1	0,6	23,7%	0,1	10 210	
Lumentum Holdings	US	Technology	2,0%	0,0%	119,1	213,1	1,4	17,3%	3,9	46 752	
Montage Gold Corp	CA	Materials	2,0%	0,0%	N/A	N/A	2,3	N/A	N/A	5 395	
Echostar Corp	US	Technology	2,0%	0,0%	N/A	62,1	1,0	N/A	4,5	32 421	
Sandisk Corp	US	Technology	2,0%	0,0%	15,2	39,8	2,5	10,1%	0,1	84 502	
* Excluding ETFs			Top 10 names	20,0%	0,1%	26,7	52,0	1,5	9,0%	1,0	24 700
			Bottom names	62,0%	1,3%	22,6	37,6	1,1	12,9%	0,9	70 840
			Cash	18,0%	0,0%	--	--	0	--	--	--
			Total	100%	0,8%	23,6	41,1	1,2	11,9%	0,9	59 586

Data Sources : Barchart, MSCI, FactSet

Historical Performance (after transaction costs)

Period	Strategy	After fees	Benchmark	Difference	Period	Strategy	After fees	Benchmark	Difference
Last 3M	16,7%	16,2%	-0,4%	16,6%	2026	16,7%	16,2%	-0,4%	16,6%
1 Year	52,2%	51,1%	20,9%	30,2%	2025	24,2%	23,2%	18,6%	4,7%
2 Years	31,9%	30,8%	18,1%	12,7%	2024	38,9%	37,9%	31,4%	6,5%
3 Years	26,5%	25,4%	20,2%	5,2%	2023	3,0%	2,0%	19,2%	-17,2%
4 Years	20,3%	19,2%	14,3%	4,9%	2022	4,9%	3,4%	-10,0%	13,5%
5 Years	20,5%	19,4%	14,8%	4,6%	2021	32,8%	31,8%	27,2%	4,6%
10 Years	--	--	--	--	2020	36,8%	34,5%	14,1%	20,4%
Since Inc.	24,6%	23,4%	16,7%	6,7%	2019	24,8%	23,8%	26,8%	-3,0%

Management fee estimates (p.a.)
 0,4%
 1,0%
 1,0%
 1,0%
 1,5%
 1,0%
 2,3%
 1,0%

Note on performance : We started investing in the strategy in September 2020. The performance shown prior to this date represents the model returns generated for three of the four indices (S&P/TSX, S&P 500 and S&P 400). The S&P 600 driven model was added in early 2021....

Market/Strategy Comments

After a decent start of the year for global equities, geopolitical risks displaced economic resilience with the escalation of the U.S.-Iran conflict. The resulting surge in energy prices and near-term inflation concerns drove risky assets to sharply decline in March. Hence, the S&P 500 index posted a total return of -4.3% (USD) during the quarter, with sectors delivering mixed results: Energy was up 38%, Materials +10% and Utilities +8%, while Financials, Technology and Consumer Discretionary were the laggards with returns down by more than 9%. During the same period, Value-oriented stocks/indices outperformed their Growth counterparts (+2 vs -10% for the Russell 1000 Value and Growth indices respectively). The smaller-cap Russell 2000 index outperformed the large-cap index with a total 3-month return of 0.9% (USD). In Canada, the S&P/TSX Composite index performed relatively well, posting a total quarterly return of 3.9%, resulting in the Dynamic strategy benchmark (1/3 S&P TSX, 2/3 S&P 500) to end the quarter with a return of -0.4% (CAD).

Despite our continuous profit-taking, the Dynamic strategy ended Q1 2026 with a return of 16.7%, representing an outperformance of 17.1% over the benchmark (before management fees). This result was attributable to the strong stock selection across all segments of the strategy, led by the U.S. large-cap stocks which generated a return of more than 50% (SNDK, WDC, STX) and our U.S. small/mid-cap exposures (LITE, CIEN, POWL). During the quarter, we greatly reduced our strategy stock exposures in favor of cash and key index-related ETFs.

Sector Breakdown	Strategy*	Index
Communication Services	3,8%	7,5%
Consumer Discretionary	3,8%	7,7%
Consumer Staples	4,3%	4,7%
Energy	7,4%	8,8%
Financials (incl. Real Estate)	11,3%	20,5%
Health Care	3,3%	6,5%
Industrials	5,7%	9,3%
Technology	25,2%	24,4%
Materials	15,9%	7,8%
Utilities	1,4%	2,8%
Cash & Equivalents	18,0%	0,0%

* Including the ETFs' sector weightings

Strategy Characteristics

Holdings	20 - 25
Portfolio beta	0.5 - 2.0
Limit per holding	10%
Limit per sector	35%
ETF allocation	Max 50%
Cash allocation	Max 35%
Rebalancing	Monthly

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