

Overview International Leaders ADR SMA

STRATEGY

The Portfolio invests in stocks of foreign companies that are traded on a U.S. exchange. The portfolio manager seeks stocks of well-managed, quality growth companies that are expected to maintain better than average growth, profitability, and quality relative to other companies in the same industry worldwide. This portfolio is designed to provide broad market exposure to small, medium, and large companies in various geographic regions outside the U.S.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS¹

	Portfolio	Index ²
Inception Date	01/01/03	
Wtd. Avg. Market Cap (USD \$b)	\$98	\$71
EPS Growth (Projected %)	16.17	12.31
P/E (1 Yr. Forecast)	18.95x	13.37x
Debt/Total Capital (%)	32.32	39.84
Dividend Yield	0.96	2.93
Number of Securities	57	6,124
Cash (%)	3.35	
Annualized Standard Deviation (% Since Inception)	16.67	16.69

MARKET CAP DIVERSIFICATION³

Market Cap	Portfolio	Index ²
>\$20 billion	88.19	58.11
\$5 - \$20 billion	11.81	22.97
<\$5 billion	0.00	18.91

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



Alaina Anderson, CFA, Partner Portfolio Manager

- 24 years industry experience
- 19 years with William Blair
- M.B.A., University of Chicago
- B.S., University of Pennsylvania

CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE % USD

International Leaders ADR SMA	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Composite (Gross of fees)	0.42	18.94	-25.22	9.01	25.43	28.22	-12.64	24.44	1.52	0.33
Composite (Net of fees)	-2.55	15.47	-27.49	5.80	21.78	24.50	-15.25	20.82	-1.48	-2.64
MSCI AC World ex-US IMI Index	5.23	15.62	-16.58	8.53	11.12	21.63	-14.76	27.81	4.41	-4.60
MSCI EAFE Index (net)	3.82	18.24	-14.45	11.26	7.82	22.01	-13.79	25.03	1.00	-0.81

RETURNS % USD (PERIODS ENDING 3/31/25)

			Annualized			
						Since
						Inception
International Leaders ADR SMA	Qtr	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	(Jan 1 03)
Composite (Gross of fees)	1.58	-4.10	1.47	9.02	5.17	7.40
Composite (Net of fees)	0.82	-6.95	-1.53	5.81	2.07	4.25
MSCI AC World ex-US IMI Index	4.59	5.50	3.99	11.02	5.02	7.45
MSCI EAFE Index (net)	6.86	4.88	6.05	11.77	5.40	7.06

Past performance cannot guarantee future results. Valuations and returns are denominated in U.S. Dollars. Periods for greater than one year are annualized.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS⁴

Security	% of Portfolio
Taiwan Semiconductor	3.97
SAP SE	2.74
Thales SA	2.74
London Stock Exchange	2.63
Compass Group PLC	2.42
BAE Systems PLC	2.29
Sandoz Group	2.25
Sumitomo Mitsui	2.23
Hoya Corp.	2.11
3I Group PLC	2.08
Total Top Ten	25.46

¹Characteristics based on representative account. ²MSCI All Country World ex-U.S. (net) Index

³This chart illustrating capitalization breakdown does not include cash.

⁴Top ten holdings are based on a representative account and include cash.

⁵The benchmark that best reflects the composite's investment strategy is a custom benchmark, linking the MSCI All Country World Ex US Index (net) through June 30, 2019, to the MSCI All Country World Ex US Investable Market Index (net) after June 30, 2019. The benchmark was changed in December 2020 from the MSCI All Country World Ex US Index (net).

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GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSIFICATION⁵

Region (%)	Portfolio	Index ²
Pacific ex Japan	4.95	6.78
Japan	14.53	15.03
Europe + ME ex UK	42.49	31.76
UK	15.92	9.30
W Hemisphere	4.51	7.71
EM Asia	12.30	23.36
EMEA	0.00	3.96
Latin America	1.95	2.09
Cash	3.35	0.00

SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION⁵

Sector Type (%)	Portfolio	Index ²
Communication Services	5.14	5.92
Consumer Discretionary	15.87	11.16
Consumer Staples	1.59	6.77
Energy	0.00	4.85
Financials	22.34	23.09
Health Care	12.80	8.39
Industrials	21.03	14.91
Information Technology	15.26	11.93
Materials	2.62	7.07
Real Estate	0.00	2.80
Utilities	0.00	3.12
Cash	3.35	0.00

⁵Calculated by William Blair on a representative portfolio.

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Strategy

The **International Leaders ADR SMA Strategy** invests in the ADRs and dual listed securities of companies based outside of the United States. Companies have had and are expected to maintain superior growth, profitability and quality relative to local markets. A portfolio manager change occurred effective 7/1/2019 and 1/1/2020. The investment strategy was not materially altered by the personnel change.

Performance and Fees:

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. Valuations and returns are denominated in U.S. Dollars. Investment performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. The International Leaders ADR SMA Composite was created in January 2003. The composite performance inception date is January 1, 2003. Prior to December 2020, the composite was named International Leaders ADR SMA. Gross investment performance is shown gross of all fees and transaction costs and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital. Net of fees performance are net of all fees charged directly or indirectly to the accounts. Net of fee results are calculated using the SMA program's maximum fee of 3.00%. This bundled (SMA) fee includes investment advisory fees, financial consultant fees, custodial fees, and trading expenses. Investment management fees are described in William Blair's Form ADV Part 2A. Yield is only one component of expected performance and is not and should not be viewed as a statement of the future performance of the strategy. Please refer to the performance summary for complete performance information.

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Index: The benchmark that best reflects the composite's investment strategy is a custom benchmark, linking the MSCI All Country World Ex US Index (net) through June 30, 2019, to the MSCI All Country World Ex US Investable Market Index (net) after June 30, 2019. Both component indexes are free float-adjusted market capitalization indexes designed to measure equity market performance, net of withholding taxes, in the global developed and emerging markets, excluding the US. The first index excludes small capitalization companies and the second index includes small capitalization companies. The benchmark was changed in December 2020 from the MSCI All Country World Ex US Index (net). The secondary benchmark is the MSCI EAFE Index (net), which is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance, net of withholding taxes, in the developed markets, excluding the U.S. & Canada.

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