

# **Quarterly Headlines**

International equity markets continued to rally in the second quarter. The US dollar weakened on concerns over the US fiscal deficit and expectations of a more dovish Federal Reserve, as economic growth shows signs of slowing. Markets recovered from initial volatility in April following President Trump's Liberation Day tariffs, as expectations grew that the final US tariffs would be lower than feared. Growth stocks led returns, particularly within IT and industrials, as semiconductor names rallied with the reversal of Biden-era export restrictions and rising enthusiasm for Al technologies.

In a strong quarter for equity markets, the portfolio delivered attractive absolute returns. Consistent with our expectations for Mondrian's defensive investment philosophy, returns lagged the strong market. Year-to-date returns remain firmly ahead of the market.

Relative returns were held back by stock selection in communication services where WPP, the UK advertising and communications group, was weak following client account losses and the departure of its CEO. Country and sector allocation also slightly held back relative returns, driven by the overweight position in the relatively weak UK equity market. This was partially offset by the position in Toyota Industries, the Japanese forklift and auto parts manufacturer, which outperformed following a buyout offer from the Toyota Group.

# Strategy at a Glance

- Strategy Inception: May 2006
- Investment Team Size of 10
- Active, value-oriented defensive strategy
- Detailed, long-term fundamental analysis
- Consistent application of income-oriented valuation approach
- History of outperformance versus the benchmark, with lower volatility
- Portfolio contains 50 90 issuers
- Annual turnover is generally 10 25%

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## Performance Summary

	Composite (Gross)	Composite (Net)	Benchmark	Secondary Benchmark
Quarter 2, 2025	11.2%	11.0%	12.0%	10.4%
1 Year	24.3%	23.6%	17.7%	21.4%
3 Years (Annualized)	16.3%	15.7%	14.0%	15.6%
5 Years (Annualized)	13.3%	12.7%	10.1%	13.1%
10 Years (Annualized)	6.9%	6.3%	6.1%	5.7%
Since Inception (Annualized) May 1, 2006	5.2%	4.7%	4.5%	4.0%

#### **Attribution**

Market and Currency	Stock Selection	Total
-0.2%	-0.5%	-0.7%
Sector	Stock Selection	Total

All returns in: USD
Composite: Focused All Countries World excluding U.S. Equity
Benchmark: MSCI AC World ex-US Index
Secondary Benchmark: MSCI AC World ex-US Value Index
Source: Mondrian Investment Partners and MSCI
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## **Country Allocation**

Country	Portfolio Weight	Relative Weight
Emerging Markets		24.5% -4.7%
Japan	18.7%	+5.1%
United Kingdom	16.9%	+7.7%
France	8.8%	+1.9%
Germany	7.5%	+1.0%
Italy	5.9%	+3.9%
Hong Kong	4.1%	+2.8%
Switzerland	3.2%	-2.8%
Spain	2.5%	+0.4%
Singapore	2.4%	+1.3%
Netherlands	1.8%	-1.2%
Canada	1.6%	-6.4%
Other EMEA	0.7%	-5.9%
Australia	0.0%	-4.3%
Other Asia Pacific	0.0%	-0.1%

#### **Sector Allocation**

Sector	Portfolio Weight		Relative Weight
Financials		17.7%	-7.4%
Industrials		15.7%	+0.9%
Info. Technology	11.0%	,	-2.3%
Consumer Staples	9.8%		+3.2%
Utilities	9.7%		+6.6%
Cons. Discretionary	9.5%		-0.6%
Health Care	9.4%		+1.4%
Comm. Services	8.1%		+1.7%
Energy	4.3%		-0.3%
Materials	3.4%		-2.8%
Real Estate	0.0%		-1.7%
Cash	1.3%		-

## **Strategy Characteristics**

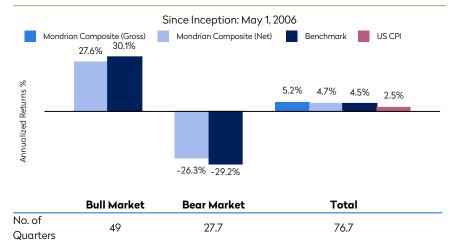
	Portfolio	Benchmark
Weighted Average P/E (trailing 12 months)	12.6x	16.1x
Weighted Average P/B	1.5x	2.0x
Weighted Average Dividend Yield	3.8%	2.8%
Number of Holdings	77	1,981
Weighted Average Market Cap (USD, billion)	98.0	117.4
Median Market Cap (USD, billion)	33.7	10.0

# **Our Organization**

- Founded in 1990, with over 30 years of stable, consistent leadership
- Approximately USD 50 billion under management and advisement
- Mondrian is employee-owned; approximately half of employees are partners
- Consistent, income-oriented value discipline has been applied to all products since the firm's inception
- Highly experienced team of 52 investment professionals in London

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### **Defensive Characteristics**



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