

First quarter 2025

US Large Cap Core Strategy

Quarterly market and strategy review



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Investment team

Roles and expertise

U.S. large cap core management team

Emory W. (Sandy) Sanders, Jr., CFA

Lead Portfolio Manager 28 years' experience

Jonathan T. White, CFA

Portfolio Manager 28 years' experience Consumer Discretionary, Staples

Michael J. Mattioli, CFA

20 years' experience Financials

Nicholas P. Renart

20 years' experience Industrials, technology

Michael Daley, CFA

19 years' experience Technology, staples, communication services

Michael Bokoff, CFA

15 years' experience Energy, materials, healthcare

Keith Kirkland, CFA

15 years' experience Healthcare, technology

Kassiani Nacopoulos, CFA

9 years' experience Consumer discretionary, staples

Joshua R. Yafa

19 years' experience Client Portfolio Manager

Tatiana V. Johnson

15 years' experience Client Portfolio Manager

Alyson Rando

9 years' experience Client Service Analyst

1 Boutique structure

 Managers and analysts focused solely on this investment process

2 Experience

 Lead managers working together for over 20 years

Research culture

- Analysts all recruited specifically to drive our 7 step research and validation process
- 3 to 4 weeks of in-depth research to initiate on a company
- ~700 company visits a year
- Using a 5- to 20-year investment horizon to seek intrinsic value
- Focused on long-term fundamentals and stakeholder outcomes

As of March 31, 2025.

Philosophy and process

We believe companies delivering compounding cash flow growth bought at the "right price" are likely to outperform through investment cycles. We run a portfolio of long-term holdings in companies with what we believe to be sustainable competitive advantages and cash flow generation bought at a significant discount to their intrinsic fair value.

What we look for



How we buy it

What we aim to deliver

Compounding cash flows

- Significant competitive advantage and moat
- ROIC > WACC over a full market cycle
- Cash flows re-invested in the business/brand
- Focus on sustainable longterm business models

70¢ on the dollar

Invest based on long-term value analysis (discounted cash flows)

- Range of values analysis*: models fundamentals across best, base, bear and worst scenarios
- · Purchase discipline: buy at 70¢, sell at \$1 in base case

Consistent returns across the cycle

- Flexibility to invest in growth and value ideas to drive outperformance in diverse market conditions
- Capital appreciation and improving stakeholder and **ESG** outcomes
- Distinct portfolio: 45-65 positions, high active share (>70%)

For illustrative purposes only. Figures shown in US Dollar (USD).

^{*}Range of values analysis is a proprietary, fundamental modeling process with four distinct scenarios described in the Investment Process.



Investment process

Identifying companies that can outperform regardless of market and economic conditions to deliver consistent alpha across the business cycle

7 step research and Idea Inventory of 200+ stocks validation process generation Compounding cash flows Competitive advantage validation ROIC > WACC Universe* considerations **Portfolio Growth** Industry analysis Cross-cycle cash and value 45-65 3. Growth drivers flow generation best ideas 4. Financial analysis stocks Sustainable business 5. Management team assessment models ESG the dolla Range of values evaluation Proprietary research **Active engagement** Risk and ESG analysis based on HOLT database

^{*} Universe is Russell 1000 For illustrative purposes only. Figures shown in US Dollar (USD).

Range of values analysis

Illustrative example: Cheniere Energy Inc. (LNG)

Valuation scenario analysis, critical when determining "right price" to pay

- Financial models culminate in consistent Range of Values analysis (updated at least quarterly)
- Intrinsic value is compared to current price for reward/risk evaluation

Assumptions (CAP=5 yrs)	Best Case	Base Case	Bear Case	Worst Case							
Base assets across all cases: ~30mtpa at Sabine Pass, ~15mtpa at Corpus Christi											
Contracted Volume Lifting Utilization (%)	100%	100%	50%	0%							
Corpus Christi Stage 3 + Midscale Expansion	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes							
Sabine Pass ~20mtpa Expansion	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
Approx. run rate annual fixed fee revenue - \$b	10.8	10.3	10.3	8.5							
Add'l Net Rev Uplift From Spread - Avg	8%	5%	2%	0%							
Add'l Net Rev Uplift From Spot Mkting - Avg	73%	19%	3%	0%							
Approx. run rate a/t cash flow per share - \$	26	22	19	15							
Consolidated ROIC - Avg	22%	13%	11%	12%							
Value Range (DCF) (\$)	\$373	\$255	\$213	\$100							
Price as of March 2025 (\$)	LNG	\$223									

Result: Reward/risk evaluation

- Financial assumptions and ESG Considerations are incorporated into four distinct operating scenarios
- All business risks and opportunities are ultimately reflected in the RoV analysis
- Cheniere worst case reflects an effective operations halt to the company (contracted revenue only with no capacity expansion). Iterate upside from there.

Source: Manulife Investment Management proprietary assessment as of March 2025

RoV analysis establishes if a company is attractively priced relative to our estimate of intrinsic value. Remaining cases help us assess what the market is discounting and if stocks are mispriced.

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Market environment

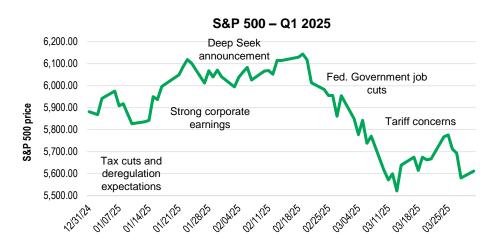
Q1 2025: Tariff policy uncertainty drove market volatility

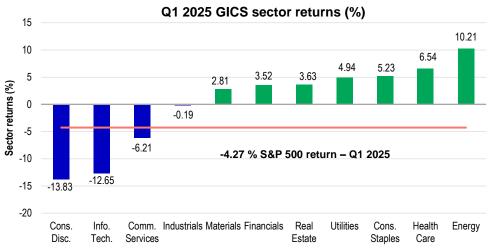
Markets

- The U.S. stock market declined in Q1.
- The year started strong fueled by post-election euphoria, better-than-expected corporate earnings and continued economic growth.
- Starting in mid-February volatility increased amid concerns around on-again, off-again import tariffs, sweeping Federal government workforce cuts, and the Fed's decision to hold its target interest rate steady.
- News that China-based Deep Seek had developed a competitive artificial intelligence (AI) model that could be trained at a much lower cost than existing AI offerings also shook investors.

Sectors

- Sector performance was mixed in Q1. Cyclicals underperformed defensives.
- Value stocks held up much better than growth stocks as recession fears and risk aversion increased.
- Energy was the best performing sector in the period.
- Defensive sectors such as utilities, consumer staples and healthcare outperformed.
- After performing well last year, consumer discretionary, information technology and communication services sectors led the market sell off in Q1.





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Q1 2025 attribution

What helped?

Stock picks in Information Technology, Real Estate and **Consumer Staples** sectors helped relative performance.

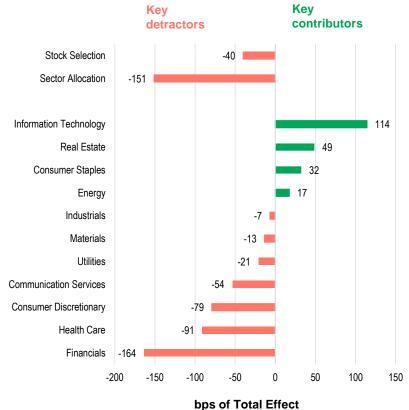
- Cheniere Energy gained from expectations of increased LNG demand in the U.S. and Europe plus news that the company's expansion projects were on budget and ahead of schedule.
- Anheuser-Busch InBev benefited as strong execution by management, revenue gains in North America and currency tailwinds fueled better-than-expected quarterly earnings and revenue. Investors also welcomed the company's proposed dividend increase.

What hurt?

Stock selection in Financials and Health Care and an overweight in **Consumer Discretionary** sector hurt relative performance.

- KKR & Company saw its share price fall amid investor concern that capital market softness would delay the monetization of some of the company's portfolio holdings.
- Amazon.com, Inc. saw its stock price pressured by news of its plans to invest heavily in artificial intelligence in 2025. Each of these positions was a sizable overweight.

Q1 2025 Attribution

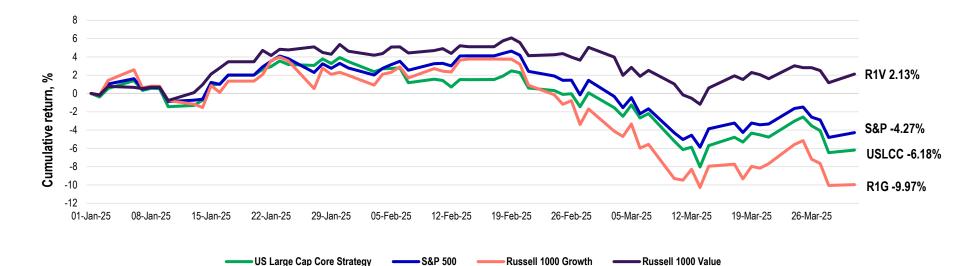


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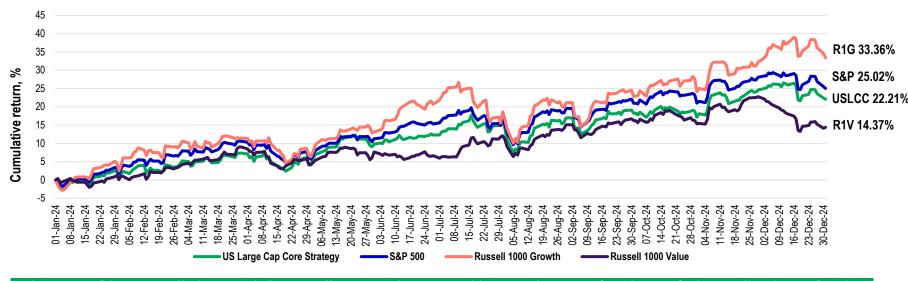
Barbell strategy in 2025



Janı	uary	Feb	ruary	Ma	ırch
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<u>ADBE</u>	<u>GILD</u>	<u>UNH</u>	<u>PII</u>	<u>AVTR</u>	<u>WMT</u>
LEN		<u>MRP</u>	<u>STT</u>	KKR	LNG
		<u>CMCSA</u>	<u>LYB</u>	URI	
		<u>TSLA</u>	<u>MRNA</u>		
		LMT	WFC		
		ADBE	WMT		
		LEN			

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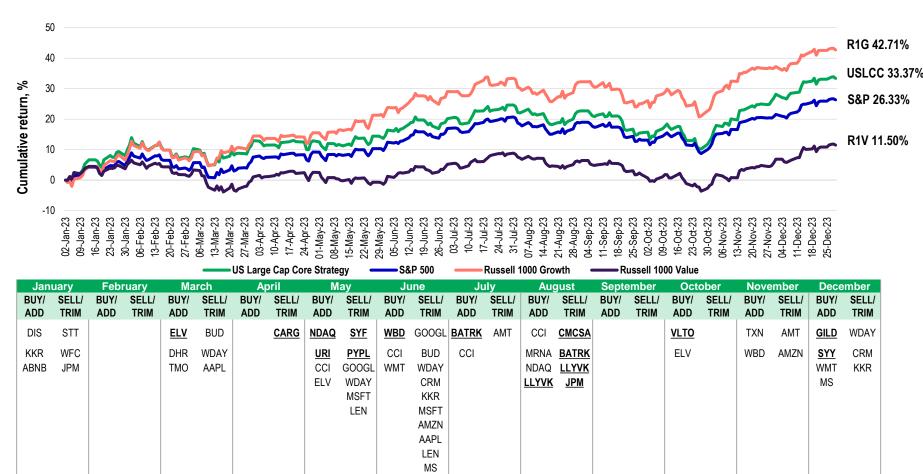
Barbell strategy in 2024



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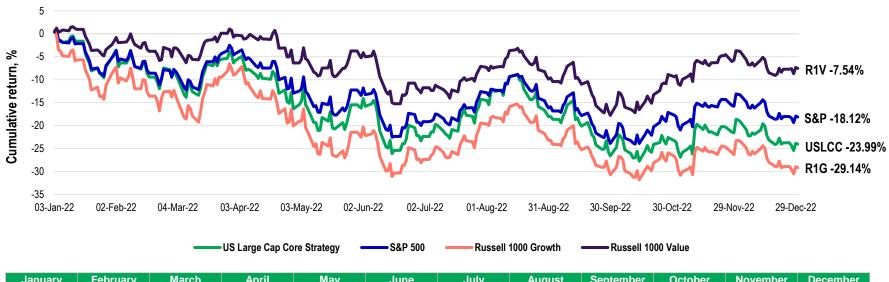
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Barbell strategy in 2023



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Barbell strategy in 2022



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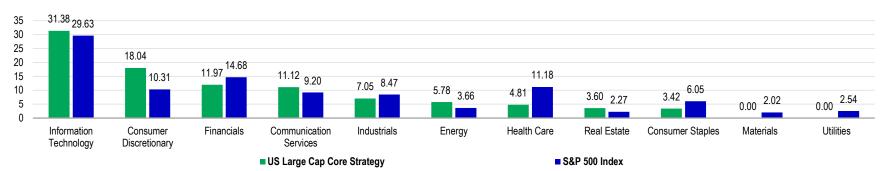
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Representative portfolio characteristics as of March 31, 2025

Characteristics	US Large Cap Core Strategy	S&P 500 Index
Wtd. avg. market cap (\$M)	751,305	906,429
Median market cap (\$M)	107,939	36,202
Number of holdings	47	500
Price/book ratio (x)	3.66	4.55
P/E ratio (1 yr forward) (x)	19.53	20.29
Debt/capital (%)	55.29	45.35
EPS LT growth rate (%)	7.94	12.33
ROE (%)	16.15	17.97
Operating margin (%)	17.25	15.91
Active share (%)	72.77	
5 Year avg. turnover (%)	20	-

Top ten holdings (%)	US Large Cap Core Strategy
Amazon.com	8.18
Apple	7.76
Cheniere Energy	5.78
Alphabet	4.95
Lennar	4.30
Microsoft	4.28
Workday	3.92
KKR & Co.	3.79
Morgan Stanley	3.36
Adobe	2.95
Total	49.28

Sector allocation (%)



In USD

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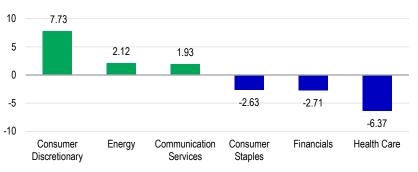
Outlook

Focus on attractively priced wide-moat businesses

Current positioning

- Typically balance investments having cyclical, stable and secular growth characteristics.
- Eliminated holdings in consumer discretionary, healthcare, materials, consumer staples and took profits in multiple holdings in energy, financials, consumer staples that appreciated nicely in the period.
- Directed proceeds to new holdings in healthcare, comm. services and consumer discretionary boosted some attractively valued existing holdings in industrials, financials, information technology and consumer discretionary.
- Growth-Value barbell: the team sees opportunity across the style spectrum and seeks to remain relatively balanced: the team has been adding modestly to value.

US Large Cap Core representative over/underweights (%)



Source: FactSet, March 31, 2025

Outlook as of March 31, 2025

- Thus far in 2025 equity market volatility and tariff-related uncertainty have not impacted domestic economic fundamentals. At this point, what is clear is the range of potential outcomes has widened. For example, while it would benefit both the U.S. and China to come to the negotiating table there are many factors at play, most of which are not easy to forecast.
- The good news is that whatever happens, at least we are starting from a strong position in terms of consumer balance sheets, banking system integrity, and what has historically been the most innovative country in the world. Quality prevails in uncertain times and our process is heavily skewed toward investing wide moat, high-quality businesses.
- In the short-term we are watching a combination of hard data to include company earnings, jobs, and inflation plus the direction of sentiment's travel. In the medium-term, however, it's important to zoom out and consider through-cycle company prospects. Businesses with dominant competitive advantages, significant free cash flow generation, and legitimate growth prospects have historically weathered macro uncertainty. In fact, they often emerge from difficult economies even better positioned as weaker competitors fold, leaving opportunities to over earn. We ask ourselves, in a temporarily soft economy would there still be an endless rotation of the largest e-commerce platform trucks in our neighborhood delivering toothpaste, diapers, and paper towels? Would we still use Office suite every day at work? Would the U.S. still be several million homes short of current demand, leaving a long runway for the largest homebuilders? For these reasons we remain committed to controlling the controllable, which has served investors well over reasonable time periods..

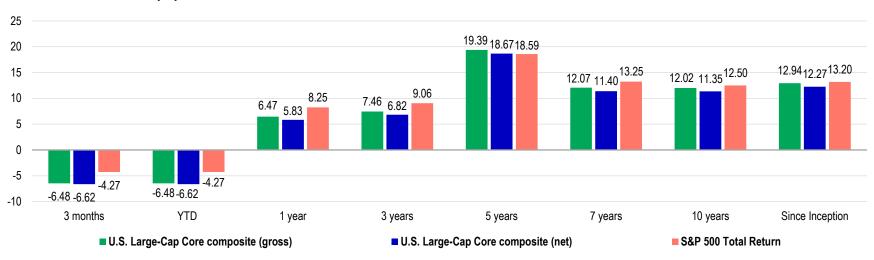
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US Large Cap Core Composite

Investment results as of March 31, 2025

Annualized returns (%)



Calendar year returns (%)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
U.S. Large-Cap Core composite (gross)	22.21	33.68	-23.96	30.39	21.69	36.34	-12.87	21.22	10.97	6.87
U.S. Large-Cap Core composite (net)	21.48	32.88	-24.42	29.61	20.96	35.53	-13.39	20.49	10.31	6.22
S&P 500 Total Return	25.02	26.29	-18.11	28.71	18.40	31.49	-4.38	21.83	11.96	1.38
Excess return (gross)	-2.81	7.40	-5.85	1.68	3.29	4.86	-8.48	-0.61	-0.99	5.48
Excess return (net)	-3.54	6.60	-6.31	0.90	2.56	4.04	-9.01	-1.34	-1.65	4.84

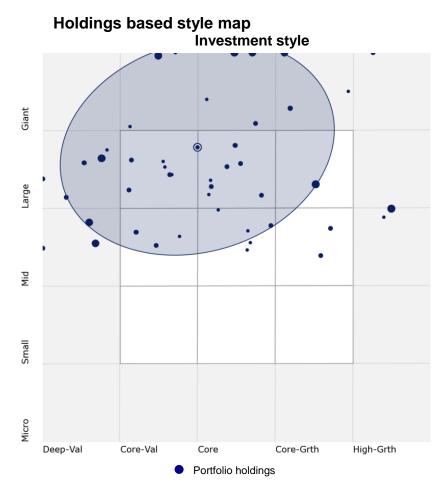
Composite inception date: January 2011.

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US Large Cap Core style allocation

Taking advantage of growth and value opportunities



Equity investment style (%) Investment style

		Value	Core	Growth
Market cap	Large	22	41	6
Marke	Mid	15	6	9
	Small	0	0	0

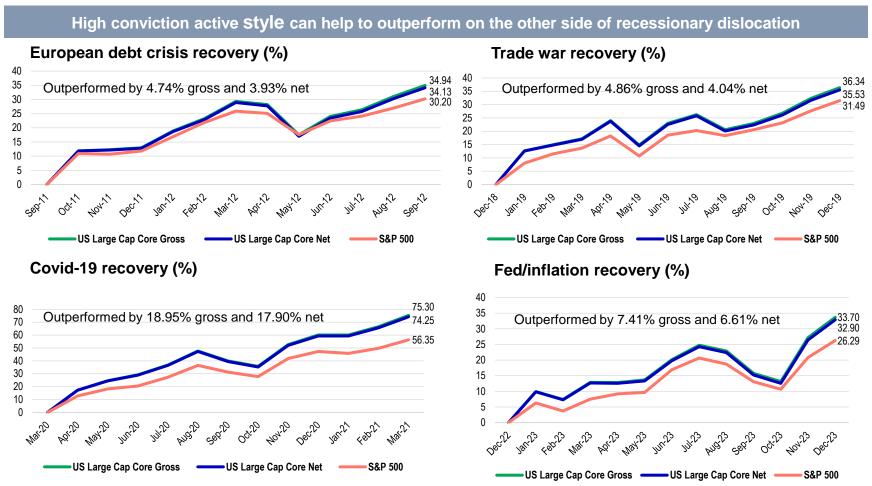
		Equity style	•
Date ¹	Value (%)	Core (%)	Growth (%)
Dec-14	34	23	44
Dec-15	32	31	37
Dec-16	31	37	33
Dec-17	25	39	35
Dec-18	33	26	41
Dec-19	32	34	34
Dec-20	28	37	35
Dec-21	20	43	37
Dec-22	20	33	46
Dec-23	17	37	46
Dec-24	36	49	15
Feb-25	37	47	15
Average	29	36	35

Source: Morningstar, as of February 28, 2025. Portfolio allocation is subject to change.

*Size of blue dots indicates portfolio weight and style representation. Blue shaded area represents market cap and style overlap of portfolio holdings.

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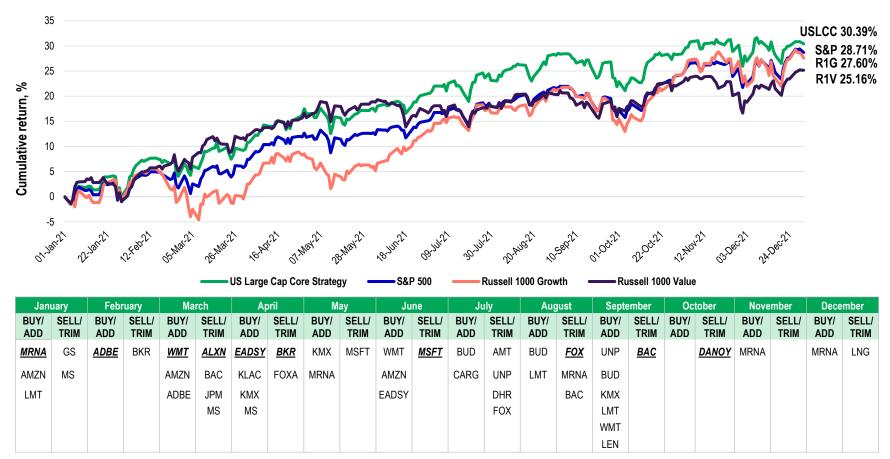
Performance in the recovery



Source: Evestment Alliance. Data as of December 31, 2024, updated annually.

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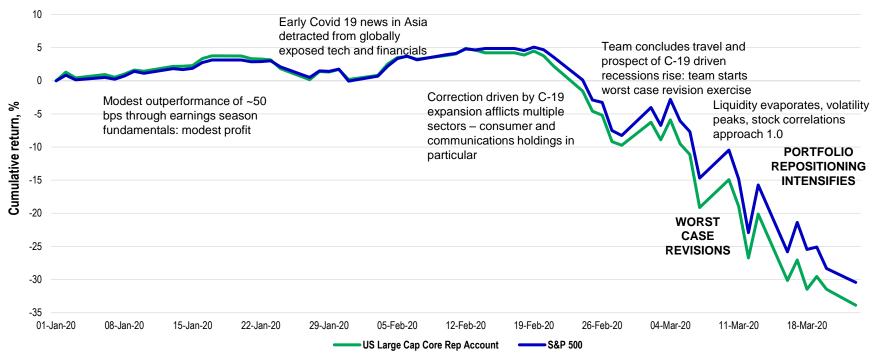
Barbell strategy drove outperformance in calendar 2021



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Market drawdown 2020: January 1 – March 23, 2020

Underperformed by >300 bps, material repositioning amid peak fear/volatility

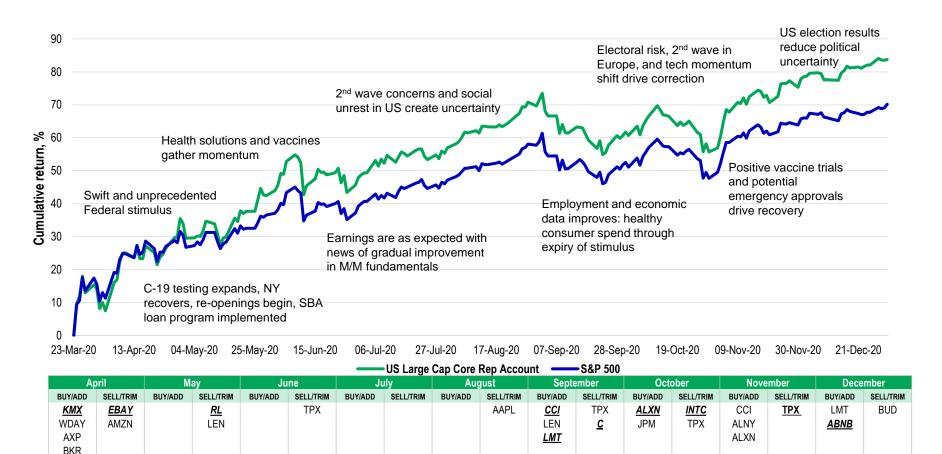


Jar	nuary	Februa	ry peak	February	correction		Ma	arch		
BUY/ADD	SELL/TRIM	BUY/ADD	SELL/TRIM	BUY/ADD	SELL/TRIM	BUY	/ADD	SELL	/TRIM	
DIS	BAC		AMZN	LNG		FWONK	<u>GD</u>	<u>WMT</u>	<u>PEP</u>	
	TPX		TPX	BUD		LNG	LEN	<u>GILD</u>	AMZN	
	FWONK					BUD	KLAC	<u>ZBH</u>	<u>FRC</u>	
	EBAY					<u>WFC</u>	WDAY	KMI	AMGN	
						ALNY	TPX			

Source: Factset, Manulife Investment Management, September 30, 2020. Information shown represents all trading activity in the portfolio from January 1-March 23, 2020, inclusive. Underlined positions were newly initiated or eliminated. The specific investment identified and described is not representative of all of the investments purchased, sold, or recommended for the strategy. It should not be assumed that any investment identified has or will be profitable. There can be no guarantee that similar investment opportunities will be available in the future or that the strategy will be able to exploit similar investment opportunities should they arise.

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COVID recovery and restart: March 23 – December 31, 2020 Outperformed by ~1360 bps



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Manulife Investment Management

U.S. Large-Cap Core Composite

Prelim - Only Schedule of Year End Returns updated per SEC Marketing Rule

Creation Date: January 1, 2018 Inception Date: January 1, 2011 Reporting Currency: USD

Schedule of Calendar Year Returns and Assets

Year End	Gross of Fees Return (%)	Net of Fees Return (%)	Benchmark Return (%)	Composite Net 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)	Number of Portfolios End of Period	Composite Dispersion (%)	Total Assets End of Period (Millions)	Firm Assets End of Period (Millions)
2023	33.68	32.88	26.29	19.41	17.29	10	0.96	10,950	486,485
2022	-23.93	-24.38	-18.11	24.21	20.87	12	0.52	9,031	422,291
2021	30.39	29.61	28.71	21.29	17.17	12	0.49	12,362	455,705
2020	21.69	20.96	18.40	22.96	18.53	12	0.67	9,831	421,097
2019	36.34	35.53	31.49	14.49	11.93	15	0.54	9,890	422,034
2018	-12.87	-13.39	-4.38	12.82	10.80	16	0.53	8,085	392,058
2017	21.22	20.49	21.83	12.36	9.92	16	0.41	9,786	N/A
2016	10.97	10.31	11.96	12.92	10.59	16	0.43	8,886	N/A
2015	6.87	6.22	1.38	11.88	10.47	17	0.28	7,425	N/A
2014	8.91	8.26	13.69	10.71	8.97	14	0.20	6,350	N/A

Schedule of Year End Returns

Date	Return	1 Year Gross (%)	5 Year Gross (%)	10 Year Gross (%)	SI Gross (%)	1 Year Net (%)	5 Year Net (%)	10 Year Net (%)	SI Net (%)
12/31/24	Composite	22.21	14.54	12.91	13.73	21.48	13.85	12.23	13.05
Date	Return	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI				
12/31/24	Benchmark	25.02	14 53	13 10	13.80				

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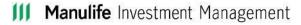
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Benchmark Definitions

Index	Definition
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