

Focused Dynamic Growth Fund

Quarterly Commentary

Portfolio Review

Stocks posted strong gains. U.S. equities rallied as concerns about problems in the banking system eased, Congress avoided a debt crisis and the Federal Reserve (Fed) paused interest rate hikes.

Growth stocks outperformed. Growth stocks easily outperformed value stocks in the quarter, aided by strong results from technology stocks, especially those with artificial intelligence connections. Large-cap stocks outperformed small- and mid-cap stocks.

Software detracted. Stock selection and a lighter allocation to the industry relative to the benchmark hampered performance in the information technology sector. Below-benchmark exposure to Microsoft was a significant detractor, and stock choices in the IT services industry also weighed on performance, led by Okta.

Biotechnology hampered performance. The industry detracted from performance in the health care sector, driven largely by our holding of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals. The pharmaceuticals industry also weighed on relative performance, primarily due to not owning Eli Lilly & Co.

Automobiles benefited performance. Tesla led industry outperformance, boosting the portfolio's consumer discretionary sector. Hotels, restaurants and leisure stocks also helped relative performance, led by fast-casual restaurant chain Chipotle Mexican Grill.

The strategy remains focused on investments with a long growth horizon. The portfolio has holdings that we believe offer a unique value proposition now and we believe into the foreseeable future. While the current rally focused on a handful of mega-cap names, we believe investors overlooked the tremendous innovation and opportunity we see in early stage growth companies.

Key Contributors

NVIDIA. This chipmaker's stock surged after raising its guidance well above Wall Street analysts' expectations. NVIDIA's growth was driven by its data center business, which reflects the demand for computing power required for artificial intelligence applications.

Tesla. Shares of this electric vehicle (EV) maker continued to rebound after declining in 2022. Several other EV makers signed contracts with Tesla to use its charging network, thereby monetizing its charging stations and establishing its technology as the industry standard. Investors also bid up shares as they anticipated price cuts would lead to strong sales.

Intuitive Surgical. This innovative medical device company's stock rose as the maker of robotic surgical systems benefited from much-better-than-expected procedure growth using its da Vinci system. Sales also remained strong given that a new system is on the horizon.

Key Detractors

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals. This biotechnology stock detracted after the Food and Drug Administration did not approve a higher dose of the company's treatment for wet age-based macular degeneration and for diabetes-related eye diseases. We believe this is likely a short-term setback related to third-party manufacturing facilities and not to the drug's underlying safety or efficacy.

Goal and Strategy

Long-term capital appreciation through investments in 30-45 quality, large-cap, U.S. growth oriented companies.

Portfolio Management Team

Name	Start Date	
	Industry	Company
Keith Lee, CFA	1996	1998
Michael Li, Ph.D	2002	2002
Henry He, CFA	2001	2011

Top 10 Holdings (%)

Alphabet Inc	8.26
Amazon.com Inc	8.17
Tesla Inc	7.88
NVIDIA Corp	7.43
Constellation Brands Inc	3.93
Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc	3.80
Intuitive Surgical Inc	3.78
Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc	3.63
salesforce.com Inc	3.20
Visa Inc	3.02

As of 6/30/2023

The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to purchase or sell a particular security. Equity holdings are grouped to include common shares, depository receipts, rights and warrants issued by the same company. Fund holdings subject to change.

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Okta. This cybersecurity firm's stock fell despite reporting better-than-expected revenues and earnings. We attribute the stock's decline largely to Okta's disappointing forward guidance and slower revenue growth.

Paylocity Holding. Shares of this provider of cloud-based software for human resources and back-office functions lagged as investors took profits following strong recent performance. The company reported better-than-expected revenue and earnings as a tight labor market has supported robust demand for what we think of as the company's modern, intuitive products.

Notable Trades

Microsoft. We initiated a position in technology giant Microsoft. We believe Azure, the company's cloud computing platform, and artificial intelligence (AI)-related businesses are in early stages of growth and well positioned to gain market share. We see a long-term opportunity for Microsoft to monetize AI by upselling in existing applications and indirectly through AI development.

No positions were liquidated during the period.

Portfolio Positioning

Our process uses bottom-up financial analysis aimed at identifying large-cap companies that we believe are capable of producing attractive, long-term earnings growth. We seek to reduce exposure to unintended, nonfinancial risks and instead align the portfolio with company-specific risks that we believe will be rewarded over time. As a result of this approach, our sector and industry allocations reflect those areas of the market where we are finding opportunities at a given time based on our research.

We think several broad themes remain in place. We believe market volatility is likely to remain high as investors shift their focus from pricing pressures and Fed interest rate policy to other economic drivers such as corporate earnings growth. Analysts forecast no year-over-year growth for 2023, though there is a very wide range of anticipated outcomes, underscoring the uncertain sentiment. Longer term, we believe several important broad themes remain in place. For example, we do not believe we will ever go back to pre-pandemic conditions with respect to work from home, digital advertising and business trends, social media, the reliance on the cloud, mobile and consumer behaviors. Similarly, we see increased adoption of electric vehicles and alternative energies.

The debate over a hard or soft landing is driving market action. Stocks endured a difficult year in 2022, when the Fed raised interest rates at the fastest pace in more than 40 years to fight rising prices. But now, pricing pressures have eased somewhat, and the Fed appears to be lightening up on its hawkish interest rate policy. The tug of war driving markets—as seen in the stock market decline in December 2022 and subsequent rally in the first half of 2023—is whether the economy will experience a hard landing where high interest rates weaken growth to the point of a recession or if the Fed will be able to guide us to a soft landing, thereby avoiding a recession. We see no quick resolution to this question and expect more volatility ahead. Either way, we will not change our approach. Instead, we will double down on our bottom-up financial research. We believe periods such as this can create attractive opportunities for long-term investors willing to be patient with growing companies.

We believe owning solid businesses is more important than making investment style calls. There is a tendency to view the investing world in style terms such as growth versus value or small versus large. However, there is a hazard of basing world views on such limited terms, especially at times such as these when economic uncertainty and market volatility are high. Instead of thinking about where a company might fit in a style framework, we think about the world a little differently and ask questions such as, "Is this a solid business?" and "Where is it in its stage of development?" We believe buying and holding young, growing businesses that are well positioned competitively is the best way to provide value to shareholders over time.

Volatility presents opportunities. Business conditions vary quarter to quarter and year to year. And while stocks go up or down in the near term for any number of reasons, we believe companies with solid long-term growth prospects as identified by our research are better situated to ride out uncertainty relating to economic and earnings growth. As a result, we think our portfolio investments represent significant long-term financial growth opportunities. We continue to monitor the financial progress and risks of our investments and seek to utilize short-term volatility as an opportunity to add to positions when we see share prices disconnected from our assessment of a company's long-term potential.

We maintain a long-term perspective. We seek to identify what we believe are high-quality companies with healthy balance sheets—precisely the opposite of the types of companies that performed well late in 2021 and throughout 2022. However, in an environment where investors are debating the pace and magnitude of an anticipated economic slowdown, such as in 2023, we believe high-quality, growing companies will likely be increasingly attractive. Of course, we do not invest for a horizon of a few days, months or even quarters—instead, our strategy guides us to invest for the long term with a horizon that spans many years. We seek to evaluate performance over a full market cycle and invest in what we think are dynamic, innovative growth companies with healthy balance sheets and cash flows that allow them to grow and improve throughout the cycle as opportunities present themselves.

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Average Annual Total Returns for Period Ended 6/30/2023

Class	Qtr (%)	1 Year (%)	3 Year (%)	5 Year (%)	10 Year (%)	Since Inception (%)	Inception Date	Gross Expense Ratio (%)
Investor	11.58	23.29	5.29	12.30	14.20	10.36	5/31/06	0.86
I	11.65	23.57	5.50	12.53	14.42	10.58	5/31/06	0.66
R6	11.71	23.75	5.66	12.70	-	17.61	12/1/16	0.51
Russell 1000 Growth Index	12.81	27.11	13.73	15.13	15.74	-	-	-

Expense ratio as of the most current prospectus.

Periods greater than one year have been annualized.

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