# BARON PARTNERS FUND

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Institutional Shares (BPTIX)



# Portfolio Managers

Ron Baron is Baron Capital's founder, chairman, and CEO. He has 50 years of research and investment experience.

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Please visit our website for details on their experience and education.

### Investment Principles

- Long-term perspective allows us to think like an owner of a business
- Independent and exhaustive research is essential to understanding the long-term fundamental growth prospects of a business
- We seek appropriately capitalized open-ended growth opportunities, exceptional leadership, and sustainable competitive advantages
- Purchase price and risk management are integral to our investment process

### Investment Strategy

This is a focused Fund that invests mainly in U.S. companies of any size with significant growth potential. A substantial percentage of the Fund's assets are in its top 10 holdings. It also uses leverage. Non-diversified.

	Value	Blend	Growth	
				Large
ò				Medium
				Small

Portfolio Facts and Characteristics	
Inception Date	January 31, 1992
Net Assets	\$3.30 billion
# of Equity Securities / % of Net Assets	28 / 122.2%
Turnover (3 Year Average)	14.46%
Active Share	94.8%
Median Market Cap	\$12.03 billion
Weighted Average Market Cap	\$74.78 billion
As of FYE 12/31/2019	Institutional Shares
CUSIP	06828M405
Expense Ratio*	1.96%

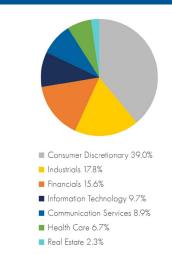
<sup>\*</sup>The Expense Ratio includes 0.90% of interest expense. Retail and R6 Shares are also available for this Fund.

Cash & Equivalents (% of Net Assets)

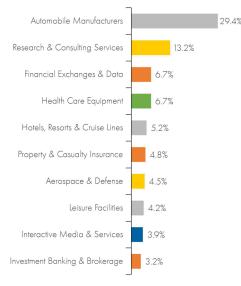
# Top 10 Holdings<sup>2</sup>

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	% of Total Investments
Tesla, Inc.	29.4
CoStar Group, Inc.	13.2
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	6.7
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	5.7
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	4.7
Vail Resorts, Inc.	4.2
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	4.0
Zillow Group, Inc.	3.9
Hyatt Hotels Corp.	3.6
The Charles Schwab Corp.	3.2
Total	78.6
Long Equity Exposure (% of Net Assets)	122.2

### GICS Sector Breakdown<sup>1 2</sup>



# Top GICS Sub-Industry Breakdown<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>



Colors of Sub-Industry bars correspond to sector chart above.

#### Risks

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**Risks**: Specific risks associated with non-diversification and leverage include increased volatility of the Fund's returns and exposure of the Fund to greater risk of loss in any given period. The Fund invests in companies of all sizes, including small and medium sized companies whose securities may be thinly traded and more difficult to sell during market downturns.



Historical Performance(Calendar Year %)								
Year	BPTIX	Russell Midcap Growth Index	S&P 500 Index					
2011	-5.52	-1.65	2.11					
2012	16.70	15.81	16.00					
2013	48.02	35.74	32.39					
2014	10.56	11.90	13.69					
2015	-2.43	-0.20	1.38					
2016	4.29	7.33	11.96					
2017	31.91	25.27	21.83					
2018	-1.75	-4.75	-4.38					
2019	45.38	35.47	31.49					

				Since
	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Inception
Std. Dev. (%) - Annualized	27.88	24.56	21.02	24.72
Sharpe Ratio	0.66	0.62	0.84	0.46
Alpha (%) - Annualized	2.83	2.55	0.80	4.01
Beta	1.24	1.27	1.20	1.06
R-Squared (%)	80.44	80.41	81.92	<i>7</i> 0.82
Tracking Error (%)	13.26	11.84	9.47	13.40
Information Ratio	0.41	0.41	0.34	0.28
Upside Capture (%)	133.58	139.05	124.41	119.47
Downside Capture (%)	130.99	136.55	127.33	111.10

Performance		Total Re	turn (%)		Annualized Returns (%)			Cumulative Returns (%)		
	2nd Q 2020	1 st Q 2020	4th Q 2019	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 1/31/1992	Since Inception 1/31/1992
BPTIX-Institutional Shares	49.47	-20.70	17.74	18.53	37.23	20.19	16.47	18.35	13.82	3860.27
Russell Midcap Growth Index	30.26	-20.04	8.17	4.16	11.91	14.76	11.60	15.09	10.02	1408.70
S&P 500 Index	20.54	- 19.60	9.07	-3.08	<i>7</i> .51	10.73	10.73	13.99	9.59	1249.42
Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average	30.27	-20.64	8.05	3.60	9.65	12.58	9.92	13.57	N/A	N/A

BY SUB-INDUSTRIES <sup>1</sup>			BY HOLDINGS					
Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)	Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)			
Automobile Manufacturers	31.00	26.30	Tesla, Inc.	31.00	26.30			
Research & Consulting Services	17.35	4.08	CoStar Group, Inc.	17.35	4.08			
Health Care Equipment	8.40	3.36	IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	8.40	3.36			
Interactive Media & Services	4.63	3.10	Zillow Group, Inc.	4.63	3.10			
Financial Exchanges & Data	8.70	2.44	FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	7.24	2.12			
Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)	Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)			
Property & Casualty Insurance	6.65	-0.19	Arch Capital Group Ltd.	6.65	-0.19			

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- 2 The Fund's top 10 holdings and the sector and sub-industry breakdowns are expressed as a percentage of the Fund's long positions. These percentages may change over time.
- 3 Source: FactSet SPAR. Except for Standard Deviation and Sharpe Ratio, the performance based characteristics above were calculated relative to the Fund's benchmark.
- 4 Source: FactSet PA and BAMCO.

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