

BARON DURABLE ADVANTAGE FUND

September 30, 2021

Institutional Shares (BDAIX)



Portfolio Manager

Alex Umansky joined Baron in 2011 as a portfolio manager. He has 28 years of research experience, 18 of which were at Morgan Stanley. From 2007 to 2011, he was co-manager of the Morgan Stanley Opportunity Fund. He co-managed the Global Opportunity Fund from 2008 to 2011 as well as the International Opportunity and the International Advantage Funds from 2010 to 2011. He co-managed the Information Fund from 2004 to 2005 and the Small Company Growth Fund from 1999 to 2002. He was lead manager of the Morgan Stanley Institutional Technology Strategy and the Technology Fund from 1998 to 2004. Alex graduated from New York University Stern School of Business with a B.S. in Finance, Information Systems, and Mathematics in 1993.

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 open-ended growth opportunities, exceptional leadership, and sustainable competitive advantages
- Purchase price and risk management are integral to our investment process

Investment Strategy

The Fund invests mainly in large-sized U.S. companies with competitive advantages. The Fund emphasizes businesses with excess free cash flow that can be returned to shareholders. Diversified.

Value	Blend	Growth	
			Large
			Medium
			Small

Portfolio Facts and Characteristics

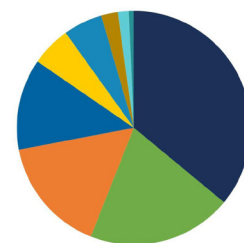
Inception Date	December 29, 2017
Net Assets	\$41.16 million
# of Issuers / % of Net Assets	34 / 97.7%
Turnover (3 Year Average)	13.45%
Active Share	78.5%
Median Market Cap ²	\$70.18 billion
Weighted Average Market Cap ²	\$498.51 billion
As of FYE 9/30/2020	Institutional Shares
CUSIP	068278761
Gross Expense Ratio	2.40%
Less: Reimbursement of Expenses by Adviser	(1.70)%
Net Expense Ratio	0.70%

Retail and R6 Shares are also available for this Fund.

Top 10 Holdings

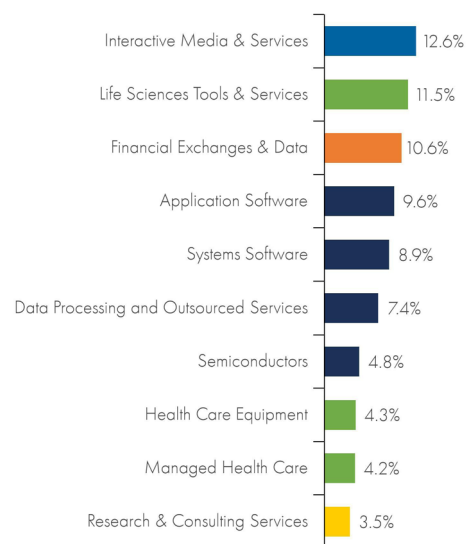
	% of Net Assets
Microsoft Corporation	8.9
Alphabet Inc.	7.4
Facebook, Inc.	5.1
Danaher Corporation	4.3
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	4.2
Adobe Inc.	4.1
Visa, Inc.	4.0
IHS Markit Ltd.	3.5
Mastercard Incorporated	3.4
Accenture plc	3.3
Total	48.2

GICS Sector Breakdown¹



- Information Technology 36.0%
- Health Care 20.0%
- Financials 16.0%
- Communication Services 12.6%
- Industrials 5.5%
- Consumer Staples 5.4%
- Cash & Cash Equivalents 2.3%
- Real Estate 1.5%
- Materials 0.7%

Top GICS Sub-Industry Breakdown¹



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

Risks

Risks: The Fund invests primarily in equity securities, which are subject to price fluctuations in the stock market. In addition, because the Fund invests primarily in large-cap company securities, it may underperform other funds during periods when the Fund's securities are out of favor.



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Historical Performance (Calendar Year %)

Year	BDAIX	S&P 500 Index
2018	-7.28	-4.38
2019	41.13	31.49
2020	20.32	18.40

Performance Based Characteristics³

	3 Years	Since Inception
Std. Dev. (%) - Annualized	18.53	17.05
Sharpe Ratio	1.03	1.00
Alpha (%) - Annualized	4.48	3.03
Beta	0.96	0.95
R-Squared (%)	93.99	93.28
Tracking Error (%)	4.62	4.51
Information Ratio	0.93	0.57
Upside Capture (%)	104.71	100.30
Downside Capture (%)	89.74	88.17

Performance

	Total Return (%)				Annualized Returns (%)					Cumulative Returns (%)
	3rd Q 2021	2nd Q 2021	1st Q 2021	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 12/29/2017	Since Inception 12/29/2017
BDAIX-Institutional Shares	2.12	13.14	3.00	19.00	28.07	20.31	-	-	18.23	87.37
S&P 500 Index	0.58	8.55	6.17	15.92	30.00	15.99	-	-	15.66	72.55
Morningstar Large Growth Category Average	-0.07	10.28	2.23	12.40	26.60	19.75	-	-	N/A	N/A

Top Contributors/Detractors to Performance²

BY SUB-INDUSTRIES¹

Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Life Sciences Tools & Services	10.51	0.74
Health Care Equipment	4.52	0.58
Semiconductors	3.72	0.50
Interactive Media & Services	13.94	0.45
Financial Exchanges & Data	10.99	0.33

Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Data Processing and Outsourced Services	9.71	-0.59
Distillers & Vintners	2.18	-0.23
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	0.30	-0.15
Asset Management & Custody Banks	2.86	-0.13
Managed Health Care	3.03	-0.11

BY HOLDINGS

Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Danaher Corporation	4.52	0.58
Alphabet Inc.	7.93	0.52
Monolithic Power Systems, Inc.	1.96	0.49
MSCI, Inc.	3.00	0.40
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	2.88	0.35

Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Fair Isaac Corporation	1.46	-0.25
Mastercard Incorporated	4.00	-0.23
Constellation Brands, Inc.	2.18	-0.23
Visa, Inc.	4.45	-0.19
Fidelity National Information Services, Inc.	1.26	-0.18

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2 - Source: FactSet PA and BAMCO.

3 - Source: FactSet SPAR. Except for Standard Deviation and Sharpe Ratio, the performance based characteristics above were calculated relative to the Fund's benchmark.

The Fund may not achieve its objectives. Portfolio holdings may change over time.

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