

# Sprucegrove Global Equities

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Sprucegrove's strategy employs a value approach to the management of equities. It emphasizes long-term investment and it focuses on the selection of individual securities using a bottom-up, research driven approach. Country and sector exposures are a residual of this stock-selection process. We seek to invest in securities that meet our standards of investment quality including a history of above average financial performance, a secure financial position, reputable management, and a growth opportunity in terms of sales, earnings, and share price. Our valuation criteria includes normalized price earnings multiple, price to book and dividend yield.

## SECTOR & REGIONAL ALLOCATION

Sector	Portfolio <sup>1</sup> %	MSCI World %	Underweight (-) / Overweight (+)
Energy	2.0	4.5	
Materials	5.6	3.9	
Industrials	21.8	11.2	
Consumer Discretionary	10.0	10.7	
Consumer Staples	3.4	6.5	
Health Care	18.1	12.0	
Financials	21.9	15.4	
Information Technology	8.3	23.7	
Communication Services	7.7	7.4	
Utilities	0.0	2.4	
Real Estate	0.0	2.3	
Cash	1.0	0.0	
	100.0	100.0	

Region	Portfolio <sup>1</sup> %	MSCI World %	Underweight (-) / Overweight (+)
Pacific	10.1	8.9	
Eurozone	10.3	8.9	
Non-Euro & Middle East	13.8	8.3	
Emerging Markets	7.6	0.0	
North America	57.3	74.0	
Cash	1.0	0.0	
	100.0	100.0	

## PORTFOLIO STATISTICS

AUM (Millions in USD)		
Sprucegrove Firm Total		\$17,582.5
Global Equities		\$866.1
	Portfolio <sup>1</sup>	MSCI World
Inception Date	Feb. 28, 2020	-
# of Holdings	70	1,465
Active Share*	93%	-
Average Mkt Cap (\$B)	\$61.3	\$44.3
Median Mkt. Cap (\$B)	\$11.7	\$16.0
Turnover % (LTM)*	32.3	-

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Portfolio <sup>1</sup>	MSCI World
Normalized P/E	15.6x	28.0x
Financial Leverage	2.1x	3.0x
Price to Book	3.1x	3.4x
Dividend Yield	2.0%	1.8%

**Normalized P/E** for a company is determined by Sprucegrove by dividing the company's P/B ratio by Sprucegrove's estimate of the average expected earnings for the company over the long term. Sprucegrove determines the Normalized P/E for each of the Portfolio and the MSCI World index by taking the weighted average of the Normalized P/E of each company within the Portfolio or index, respectively. **Financial Leverage** is defined as total assets divided by ordinary/common shareholders equity. **Price to Book ratio (P/B)** is the stock price divided by book (equity) value per share. **Dividend Yield** is the net dividend divided by the stock price. **Active Share** is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a portfolio that differ from the benchmark. **Turnover** is calculated as: (Total of the lesser of buys or sales over 12 month period / Average market values over period) x 100.

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS

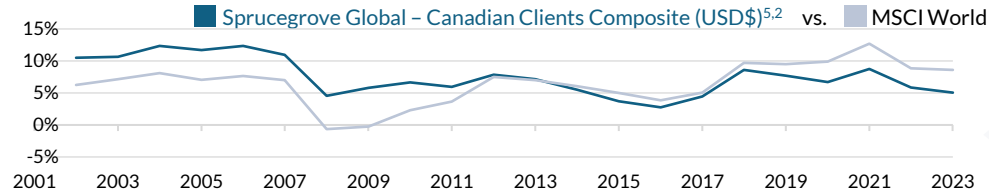
Stock	% of Portfolio <sup>1</sup>
Markel	4.2
Berkshire Hathaway	4.1
Walt Disney	4.1
Henry Schein	3.4
T. Rowe Price	3.3
Cullen/Frost Bankers	3.0
Qualcomm	2.9
Intel	2.7
Donaldson	2.6
RTX Corporation	2.5
Total	32.8

<sup>1</sup>Sprucegrove Global Representative Portfolio. Holdings and allocations are subject to change.

# PERFORMANCE

As of: 03/31/2024	Q1	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	25	30	Since
	(%)	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	Inception
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Sprucegrove Global Equities (Gross) <sup>1</sup>	4.27	11.37	4.65	2.67	15.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.91
Sprucegrove Global Equities (Net) <sup>1,2</sup>	4.17	10.95	4.27	2.29	15.22	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.51
MSCI World <sup>3</sup>	8.88	25.11	7.85	8.60	18.52	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.07
MSCI World Value <sup>4</sup>	7.49	18.78	6.20	7.64	16.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.14
U.S. Global Composite (Gross) <sup>5</sup>	4.27	11.37	4.65	2.67	15.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.64
U.S. Global Composite (Net) <sup>5,2</sup>	4.20	11.09	4.39	2.41	15.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.35
MSCI World <sup>3</sup>	8.88	25.11	7.85	8.60	18.52	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.52
MSCI World Value <sup>4</sup>	7.49	18.78	6.20	7.64	16.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.61
Cdn. Client Global Composite (Gross) <sup>6</sup>	4.33	11.50	4.44	2.57	15.25	6.84	5.61	9.84	6.64	7.33	8.34	8.75
Cdn. Client Global Composite (Net) <sup>6,2</sup>	4.23	11.09	4.05	2.20	14.85	6.47	5.18	9.37	6.15	6.80	7.76	8.16
MSCI World <sup>3</sup>	8.88	25.11	7.85	8.60	18.52	12.07	9.39	12.28	8.11	6.23	7.85	8.16
MSCI World Value <sup>4</sup>	7.49	18.78	6.20	7.64	16.61	8.34	6.44	10.24	6.51	5.53	7.04	7.56

## HISTORICAL ROLLING RETURNS, 10 Year Rolling Return, As of 12/31/2023



**Sprucegrove's 10 year rolling average net return has outperformed the benchmark in 12 of the past 22 years**

	Annual	3 Year Rolling	5 Year Rolling	10 Year Rolling	15 Year Rolling
Periods Outperformed	42%	34%	48%	55%	59%
Number of years	13/31	10/29	13/27	12/22	10/17

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<sup>1</sup>Returns presented for Sprucegrove Global Representative Portfolio. Inception date: February 28, 2020.

<sup>2</sup>Net returns reflect Gross returns reduced by management fees and withholding taxes associated with any dividends paid, where imposed by certain jurisdictions.

<sup>3</sup>The MSCI World (net) Index is the benchmark for the Sprucegrove Global Representative Portfolio and the Sprucegrove Global Composite. All supplementary indices are presented for comparative purposes only. The MSCI World Index was launched on March 31, 1986.

<sup>4</sup>The MSCI World Value (net) Index was launched on December 8, 1997. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested. Back-tested performance, (i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed) which is hypothetical and not actual performance, is subject to inherent limitations because it reflects application of an Index methodology in hindsight. No theoretical approach can take into account all of the factors in the markets in general and the impact of decisions that might have been made during the actual operation of an index. Actual returns may differ from, and be lower than, back-tested returns.

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<sup>5</sup>The Sprucegrove Global U.S. Clients Composite Inception date: March 31, 2020. It represents an equity strategy managed for U.S. clients that utilizes a value approach to invest in companies domiciled in developed and emerging market countries. The maximum holding in emerging markets is 10%.

<sup>6</sup>The Sprucegrove Global Canadian Clients Composite Inception date: June 30, 1992 and is shown to provide historic context since the Sprucegrove Global - US Client Composite was recently created in 2020. It represents an equity strategy managed for Canadian clients that utilizes a value approach to invest in companies domiciled in developed and emerging market countries. The maximum holding in emerging markets is 10%. The performance of the Composite is stated in US dollars and is net of non-reclaimable withholding taxes on dividends, interest income and capital gains where applicable. The performance referenced reflects that of the institutional composite portfolio. It is not representative of the Sprucegrove Global Representative Portfolio and should not be interpreted as indicative of future performance of the Fund. Among the other differences, the Fund incurs expenses in addition to management fees, which could reduce the Fund's performance relative to that of the institutional composite portfolio shown.

Composite net-of-fees: The model fee for the Global U.S. Clients Composite is 0.25% (2.1 bps monthly) for 2022. The model fee for the Global Canadian Clients Composite is 0.37% (3.1 bps monthly) for 2022.

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