

# Allspring SMARt International Core Managed Account

## BENCHMARK:

MSCI EAFE Expanded ADR Index (Net)

## TOP HOLDINGS (%)

SAP SE Sponsored ADR .....	2.03
Nestle S.A. Sponsored ADR .....	1.91
Shell Plc Sponsored ADR .....	1.66
Roche Holding Ltd Sponsored ADR .....	1.66
AstraZeneca PLC Sponsored ADR .....	1.61
Novartis AG Sponsored ADR .....	1.60
HSBC Holdings PLC Sponsored ADR ..	1.58
Novo Nordisk A/S Sponsored ADR Class B .....	1.55
Unilever PLC Sponsored ADR .....	1.31
Siemens Aktiengesellschaft Sponsored ADR .....	1.31

Largest company weights are based on market value of the representative account and not necessarily held in all client portfolios. The information shown is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, a recommendation to buy or sell an individual security. A list of all holdings from the prior one-year period is available upon request.

The strategy intends to own a representative sampling of benchmark holdings and not replicate those within the index.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Name Industry Start Date

John Campbell, CFA 1994

*Portfolio Manager*

Katherine Gabriana, CFA 2007

*Portfolio Manager*

Akshay Joshi 2016

*Portfolio Manager*

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## Tax-efficient, customizable core equity exposure

### Investment objective

The strategy objective is to provide well-diversified core, international equity exposure by investing in a portfolio of American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) with an emphasis on tax efficiency. The strategy seeks to balance tracking error and tax efficiency while allowing for client customization.

### Investment process

- **Systematic portfolio construction:** Delivers portfolios in line with clients' customization requirements, with embedded risk management, tax management, and transition analysis capabilities
- **Full-life-cycle tax and portfolio management:** Delivers ongoing risk management, cash management, and tax management; to take advantage of the price volatility in stocks, the Portfolio Management team regularly monitors and systematically rebalances client portfolios, realizing capital losses from securities that have declined in price, and replacing sold securities with others having similar characteristics

### Portfolio architecture

- Invests in a subset of benchmark constituents that is well diversified across the issuer, industry, and sector level
- Rigorous risk management, featuring limits to tracking error, active security weights, and active sector and industry weights
- Estimated # of securities: 200 to 300
- Ex-ante tracking error target range: 0.3% to 1.2%

## Supplemental performance

### Composite total returns (%)

	3 months <sup>1</sup>	YTD <sup>1</sup>	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Composite — Pure Gross <sup>2</sup> (incept 4-1-24)	7.32	7.32	4.96	–	–	–	4.96
Composite — Net <sup>3</sup>	6.50	6.50	1.82	–	–	–	1.82
MSCI EAFE Expanded ADR Index (Net)	8.16	8.16	5.03	–	–	–	5.03

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### Portfolio characteristics

Statistic	Portfolio	Benchmark
Dividend Yield	2.79%	2.80%
Price/Book	2.13x	2.10x
P/E (trailing 1-year)	17.67x	17.40x
Return on Equity (1-year)	16.34%	16.65%
Historical 5 Yr EPS Growth	11.57%	11.57%
Wtd. Avg. market cap (\$B)	103.43	102.16

### Sector weightings<sup>4</sup> (% equities)

Sector	Portfolio	Benchmark
Communication services	4.19	4.93
Consumer discretionary	10.52	10.81
Consumer staples	7.80	8.66
Energy	4.29	4.32
Financials	23.32	21.95
Health care	14.08	13.71
Industrials	16.79	17.76
Information technology	7.53	7.82
Materials	5.66	6.08
Real estate	0.98	0.73
Unassigned	0.00	0.01
Utilities	3.30	3.23
Cash & equivalents	1.53	–

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1. Returns of less than one year are not annualized. 2. The gross performance data is a pure gross-of-fees return and does not reflect the deduction of any management fees or transaction costs. 3. The net return is calculated based on the gross returns reduced by a typical 3% maximum annual wrap fee that could be charged to an account. 4. Sector weightings may not add up to 100% due to rounding.



## GIPS® Composite Report

Period	"Pure" Gross Annual Return (%)	Net Annual Return (%)	Primary Index Return (%)	Composite 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)	Primary Index 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)	Internal Dispersion (%)	Number of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$-mm)	Total Firm Assets (\$-mm)
04/01/24-12/31/24	-2.19	-4.40	-2.89	N/A	N/A	N/A	8	24.83	458,112

**Primary Index:** MSCI EAFE Expanded ADR (Net)

"Pure" gross annual returns do not reflect the deduction of any expenses, including trading costs. "Pure" gross returns are supplemental to the net returns.

Source: Allspring Global Investments

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