



## STRATEGY HIGHLIGHTS

As of 31 March 2024

# US Structured Research Equity Strategy

**Total Strategy Assets:**<sup>1</sup> \$75.3 billion

Figures shown in U.S. Dollars

### INVESTMENT APPROACH

- Leverage the sophisticated research capabilities of T. Rowe Price.
- Combine fundamental research with highly structured portfolio construction to isolate stock selection skills.
- A team of industry-focused T. Rowe Price analysts is responsible for selecting stocks for the portfolio, subject to the oversight and discretion of the portfolio managers who work closely with the analysts.
- Approximately 30+ analysts are allocated capital in proportion to the weight of the stocks they follow within the S&P 500 Index.

### PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Typically 200-275 stock portfolio
- Maximum active position size will typically range +/- 1.00% relative to the S&P 500 Index
- Sector and industry neutral
- Maximum portfolio weight in non-S&P 500 names is 10%
- Expected tracking error of < 1.75%
- Expect to generally remain fully invested

### BENCHMARK

- S&P 500 Index

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

#### Ann Holcomb, CFA®

- 29 years of investment experience; 28 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.S., Loyola University Maryland, Sellinger School of Business
- B.A., Goucher College

#### Jason Polun, CFA®

- 25 years of investment experience; 20 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.B.A., University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School
- B.S., Mount St. Mary's College

#### Jason Nogueira, CFA®

- 22 years of investment experience; 19 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.B.A., Harvard Business School
- B.S., Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### Alexa Gagliardi, CFA®

- 13 years of investment experience; 9 years with T. Rowe Price.
- B.A., Loyola University Maryland, Sellinger School of Business

### PORTFOLIO SPECIALISTS

#### Tamzin Manning

- 17 years of investment experience; 2 years with T. Rowe Price.
- Master's, Loughborough University of Technology
- B.Sc., University of Nottingham

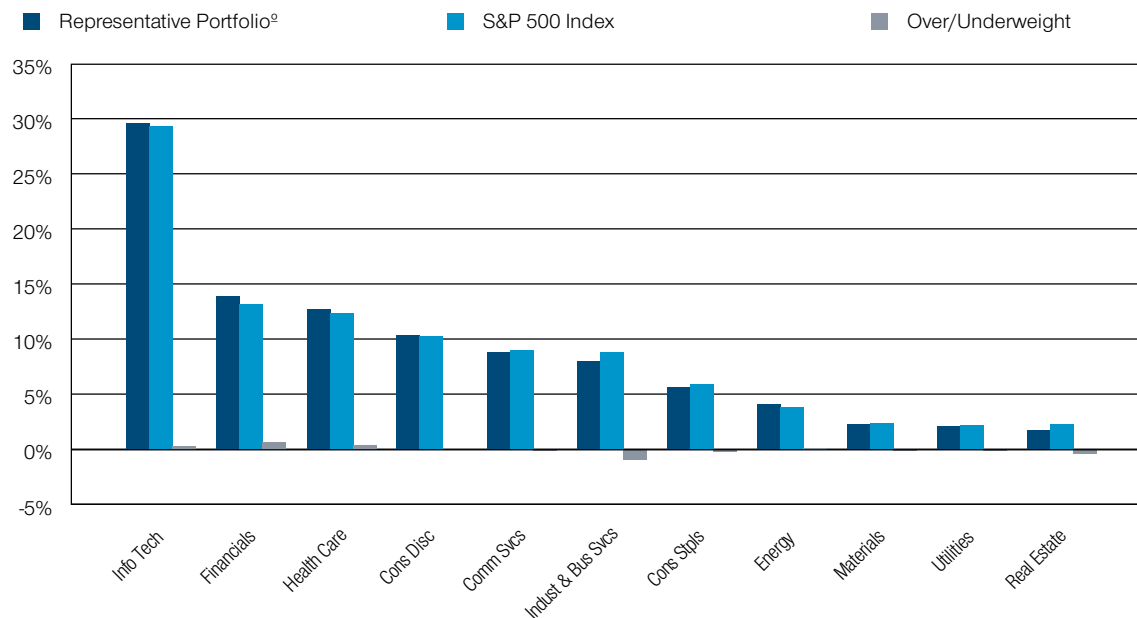
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**TOP FIVE OVER/UNDERWEIGHT POSITIONS VS. S&P 500 INDEX**

| Issuer                      | % of Representative Portfolio <sup>°</sup> | % of S&P 500 Index | Over/Underweight |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------------|------------------|
| T-Mobile US                 | 0.8%                                       | 0.2%               | 0.6%             |
| Lam Research                | 0.8  | 0.3                | 0.5              |
| NVIDIA                      | 5.5  | 5.1                | 0.4              |
| Fiserv                      | 0.5  | 0.2                | 0.3              |
| Hartford Financial Services | 0.4  | 0.1                | 0.3              |
| Berkshire Hathaway CL A     | 1.3  | 1.7                | -0.4             |
| Intel                       | 0.0  | 0.4                | -0.4             |
| Texas Instruments           | 0.0  | 0.4                | -0.4             |
| Union Pacific               | 0.0  | 0.3                | -0.3             |
| Caterpillar                 | 0.1  | 0.4                | -0.3             |

**SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION****PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

|  | Representative Portfolio <sup>°</sup> | S&P 500 Index |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Projected Earnings Growth Rate (3 - 5 Years)* <sup>°</sup> † | 13.1%                                 | 11.8%         |
| Price to Earnings (12 Months Forward)* <sup>°</sup> †        | 25.6X                                 | 24.9X         |
| Return on Equity (Last 12 Months excl. charges) <sup>°</sup> | 28.4%                                 | 28.4%         |
| Price to Book (trailing) <sup>°</sup>                        | 8.3X                                  | 8.2X          |
| Investment Weighted Median Market Cap (mm)                   | \$226,061                             | \$224,445     |
| Investment Weighted Average Market Cap (mm)                  | \$817,371                             | \$805,239     |
| Number of Issuers  | 306                                   | 500           |
| Top 20 Issuers as % of Total                                 | 43.4%                                 | 42.7%         |
| Portfolio Turnover (12 Months)                               | 35.8%                                 | -             |
| Active Share   | 23.0%                                 | -             |

<sup>°</sup>Statistics are based on investment-weighted median.

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†These statistics are based on the Composite's underlying holdings and are not a projection of future portfolio performance. Actual results may vary.

<sup>°</sup>Please see Additional Disclosures section for further information.

**PERFORMANCE**

|   | Three<br>Months | One<br>Year | Annualized     |               |              |                  |
|---|-----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
|   |                 |             | Three<br>Years | Five<br>Years | Ten<br>Years | Fifteen<br>Years |
| US Structured Research Equity Composite (Gross) | 11.72%          | 34.47%      | 13.07%         | 16.44%        | 14.14%       | 16.49%           |
| US Structured Research Equity Composite (Net)   | 11.64           | 34.08       | 12.74          | 16.10         | 13.80        | 16.15            |
| S&P 500 Index                                   | 10.56           | 29.88       | 11.49          | 15.05         | 12.96        | 15.63            |
| Value Added (Gross)                             | 1.16            | 4.59        | 1.58           | 1.39          | 1.18         | 0.86             |
| Value Added (Net)                               | 1.08            | 4.20        | 1.25           | 1.05          | 0.84         | 0.52             |

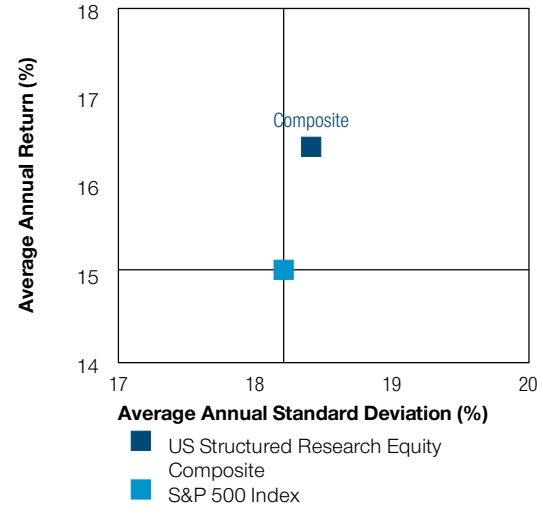
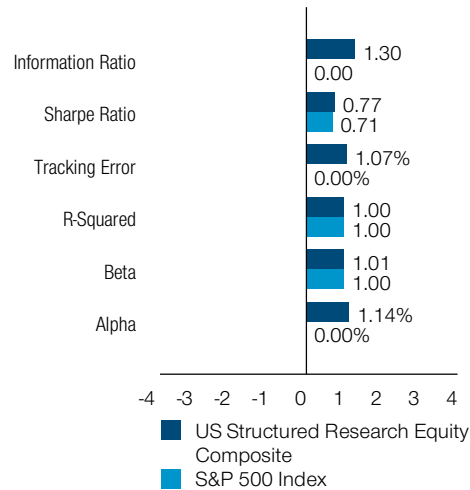
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See GIPS® Composite Report located in this material for additional information.

RISK/RETURN CHARACTERISTICS

Five Years ended 31 March 2024



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FEE SCHEDULE

US Structured Research Equity Composite

The US Structured Research Equity Composite seeks sector- and industry-neutral exposure to the S&P 500 Index, with value added through stock selection skill. The strategy combines fundamental research with a disciplined portfolio construction process to achieve its investment objectives. (Created June 2006, incepted May 31, 1999.)

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| First \$50 million            | 30 basis points                 |
| Next \$50 million             | 29 basis points                 |
| Above \$100 million           | 29 basis points on all assets * |
| Above \$200 million           | 25 basis points on all assets * |
| Minimum separate account size | \$50 million                    |

\* A transitional credit is applied to the fee schedule as assets approach or fall below the break point.

## GIPS® Composite Report

## US Structured Research Equity Composite

Period Ended December 31, 2023

Figures Shown in U.S. dollar

|                                     | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u>          |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Gross Annual Returns (%)            | 12.96       | 3.58        | 10.90       | 24.38       | -3.94       | 33.14       | 20.68       | 28.51       | -18.40      | 30.33                |
| Net Annual Returns (%) <sup>1</sup> | 11.46       | 2.19        | 9.43        | 22.74       | -5.24       | 31.40       | 19.09       | 26.82       | -19.52      | 28.62                |
| S&P 500 Index (%)                   | 13.69       | 1.38        | 11.96       | 21.83       | -4.38       | 31.49       | 18.40       | 28.71       | -18.11      | 26.29                |
| Composite 3-Yr St. Dev.             | 9.22        | 10.54       | 10.80       | 10.17       | 11.00       | 12.10       | 18.91       | 17.55       | 21.13       | 17.32                |
| S&P 500 Index 3-Yr St. Dev.         | 8.97        | 10.47       | 10.59       | 9.92        | 10.80       | 11.93       | 18.53       | 17.17       | 20.87       | 17.29                |
| Composite Dispersion                | 0.09        | 0.04        | 0.06        | 0.09        | 0.06        | 0.10        | 0.08        | 0.10        | 0.04        | 0.09                 |
| Comp. Assets (Millions)             | 22,006.4    | 17,157.1    | 15,937.5    | 12,513.8    | 14,665.3    | 18,774.0    | 34,997.5    | 44,875.8    | 45,462.5    | 63,188.3             |
| # of Accts. in Comp.                | 40          | 32          | 29          | 26          | 28          | 24          | 28          | 28          | 31          | 35                   |
| Total Firm Assets (Billions)        | 749.6       | 772.4       | 817.2       | 1,000.2     | 972.7       | 1,218.2     | 1,482.5     | 1,653.6     | 1,237.4     | 1,403.8 <sup>2</sup> |

<sup>1</sup>The fee rate used to calculate net returns is 1.35%. This represents the maximum fee rate applicable to all composite members. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

<sup>2</sup>Preliminary - subject to adjustment.

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## Risks

The following risks are materially relevant to the portfolio.

### General Portfolio Risks

**Equity** - Equities can lose value rapidly for a variety of reasons and can remain at low prices indefinitely. **ESG and sustainability** - ESG and Sustainability risk may result in a material negative impact on the value of an investment and performance of the portfolio. **Geographic concentration** - Geographic concentration risk may result in performance being more strongly affected by any social, political, economic, environmental or market conditions affecting those countries or regions in which the portfolio's assets are concentrated. **Hedging** - Hedging measures involve costs and may work imperfectly, may not be feasible at times, or may fail completely. **Investment portfolio** - Investing in portfolios involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. **Management** - Management risk may result in potential conflicts of interest relating to the obligations of the investment manager. **Market** - Market risk may subject the portfolio to experience losses caused by unexpected changes in a wide variety of factors. **Operational** - Operational risk may cause losses as a result of incidents caused by people, systems, and/or processes.

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