# Neuberger Berman Large Cap Growth Portfolio

## **Investment Philosophy and Process**

- Fundamentally driven portfolio seeking exposure to durable and emerging growth companies
- Differentiated view on growth through Economic Value Added ("EVA") framework to measure market-based expectations
- Modern approach to traditional fundamental analysis by incorporating private market views, active engagement, factor analysis and data science

# Investment Performance (%)

			Annualized Returns (Period Ended 03/31/2025)				
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception 1/1/2016	
Total Portfolio Return (Gross of Fees)	-8.36	-8.36	4.12	9.51	19.73	15.48	
Total Portfolio Return (Net of Maximum Representative Fee - 300 bps annually)	-9.03	-9.03	1.09	6.32	16.24	12.12	
Russell 1000 Growth® Index	-9.97	-9.97	7.76	10.10	20.09	16.22	

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. See GIPS® composite report disclosures for details on fees and net calculations. Fee schedule: maximum fee 300 bps annually; 75 bps quarterly.

### **Portfolio Characteristics**

Lar	ge Cap Growth	Russell 1000 Growth Index		
Portfolio Assets (\$m)	0.1			
Number of Holdings	52	394		
Median Market Capitalization (\$m)	685,145	833,459		
Beta (3 Year)	0.84	1.00		
Standard Deviation (3 Year)	17.33	20.19		

### Sector Weightings (%)

	Large Cap Growth	Russell 1000 Growth Index
Communication Services	16.37	12.75
Consumer Discretionary	16.23	14.88
Consumer Staples	3.67	3.85
Energy	0.53	0.53
Financials	9.59	7.66
Health Care	6.77	7.84
Industrials	5.41	4.86
Information Technology	37.69	46.17
Materials	0.66	0.65
Real Estate	0.00	0.57
Utilities	1.31	0.22
Cash	1.76	0.00

# Top Ten Holdings (%)

Microsoft Corporation	10.50
Amazon.com, Inc.	8.33
Meta Platforms Inc Class A	5.97
NVIDIA Corporation	5.72
Apple Inc.	5.32
Alphabet Inc. Class A	4.74
Netflix, Inc.	4.17
Broadcom Inc.	3.74
Visa Inc. Class A	3.11
Home Depot, Inc.	2.46
Total	54.06

# **Portfolio Managers**

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Source: FactSet and Neuberger Berman.

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	Comp	Benchmark	Composite				3 Year Standard Deviation			
	Total Return (%, Gross of Fees)	Total Return (%, Net of Fees)	Russell 1000 Growth Index (%)	No. of Accounts	Market Value (\$, m)	Total Firm Assets* (\$, bn)	% of Firm Assets	Internal Dispersion	Composite (%)	Russell 1000 Growth Index (%)
YTD Mar 2025	-8.36	-9.03	-9.97	≤ 5	0.1				17.33	20.19
2024	25.01	21.36	33.36	≤ 5	0.1	387.0	0.00		17.03	20.33
2023	37.87	33.85	42.68	≤ 5	0.1	360.6	0.00		17.53	20.51
2022	-23.71	-25.94	-29.14	≤ 5	1,539.9	317.0	0.49		20.90	23.47
2021	28.61	24.87	27.60	≤ 5	2,095.1	460.5	0.45		17.41	18.17
2020	35.70	31.75	38.49	≤ 5	1,734.4	405.4	0.43		19.07	19.64
2019	37.78	33.77	36.39	≤ 5	1,353.9	355.8	0.38		12.67	13.07
2018	-6.09	-8.83	-1.51	≤ 5	1,075.3	304.1	0.35		11.81	12.13
2017	26.27	22.59	30.21	≤ 5	1,261.2	295.2	0.43			
2016	10.24	7.03	7.08	≤5	1,115.0	255.2	0.44			

#### \* The redefining of the firm in December 2022 by excluding NB Alternatives Advisers LLC resulted in \$102.8 billion of assets being removed from the GIPS total firm assets as of December 2023. Compliance Statement Fee Schedule

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# **Policies**

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### Composite Description

The Managed Account Group ("MAG") Large Cap Growth Composite (the "Composite") includes Neuberger Berman's calculations with respect to all wrap fee or similar client accounts of third-party financial intermediaries (each, a "Financial Intermediary") that are managed on a discretionary basis by Neuberger Berman Investment Advisers LLC ("NBIA") in the MAG Large Cap Growth investment style ("MAG Portfolio"). The Composite is not specific to any Financial Intermediary or client account. Specific client account performance is reflected in the official books and records maintained by the Financial Intermediary or other custodian selected by the Financial Intermediary or the client. The MAG Portfolio is available only through Financial Intermediaries that have engaged NBIA to manage client accounts on a discretionary basis or to provide non-discretionary investment recommendations in the form of a model portfolio. The MAG Portfolio employs a research driven approach to stock selection, with a long term perspective that combines both quantitative analysis and qualitative judgment. Although the Strategy invests primarily in domestic stocks, it may also invest in stocks of foreign companies. The Composite was created in February 2023 and the performance inception date is January 2016. From January 2016 through June 2023, the performance track record includes the performance of the Institutional Large Cap Growth Composite. Since then, the performance returns are those of the MAG Large Cap Growth Composite. A complete list of Neuberger Berman's composites is available upon request.

### Primary Benchmark Description

The benchmark is the Russell 1000 Growth Index (the "Index"). The Index measures the performance of the large cap growth segment of the US equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000 companies with relatively higher price-to-book ratios, higher I/B/IE/S forecast medium term (2 year) growth and higher sales per share historical growth (5 years). The Index is reconstituted annually to ensure the represented companies continue to reflect growth characteristics. Effective after the market close on March 21, 2025, FTSE Russell implemented a capping methodology to all Russell U.S. Style Indices including this one. Any individual company weights in the index greater than 22.5% will be capped, and all individual companies that have an index weight greater than 4.5% will be capped to a 45% aggregate weight in the index. This will be applied quarterly going forward, but historical Index returns will not be restated.

### Reporting Currency

Valuations are computed and performance is reported in U.S. Dollars. Performance includes reinvestment of dividends and other earnings.

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Presented risk measures are calculated using gross-of-fee composite returns.

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The standard fee schedule in effect is as follows: 3.00% on total assets.

#### Internal Dispersion

Internal dispersion is calculated using the asset-weighted standard deviation of annual gross returns of those portfolios that were in the Composite for the entire year. Internal dispersion is not calculated if the Composite does not contain at least 6 portfolios for the entire year.

#### Annualized Standard Deviation

The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the Composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. The standard deviation is not required for periods prior to 2011.

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Beta is a measure of the systematic risk of a security or portfolio. Beta measures the historical sensitivity of portfolio or security excess returns to movement in the excess return of the market index.

Standard Deviation is a statistical measure of portfolio risk. The Standard Deviation describes the average deviation of the portfolio returns from the mean portfolio return over a certain period of time

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