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# Neuberger Berman Tactical Macro Fund

A unique multi-asset macro process designed to achieve positive absolute returns regardless of the market environment

# In Today's Market Environment, Characterised by...

- Higher and more volatile rates and inflation
- Higher incidence of asset volatility
- Frequent shifts in inter-asset correlations

### ... Investors Should Consider a Strategy that is:

- ✓ Uncorrelated to traditional asset classes
- ✓ Low beta over a multi-year period
- ✓ Truly multi-asset
- √ Tactical in views, implementation and risk management

### **Investment Process Overview**

A robust investment process, designed to be nimble and capture the highest reward-to-risk opportunities across a global opportunity set



### POSITION IMPLEMENTATION



Trends consistent with investment regime 3-12 months

Thematic



### Catalyst

Shorter-term dislocations caused by risk events or investor bias 1-3 months

Diversifiers: Low cost or positive expected value hedges that offer diversification benefits

Instruments: Futures, forwards, swaps and options on equity, fixed income, commodity and currency markets

### RISK CONTROL







PORTFOLIO AND POSITION MANAGEMENT

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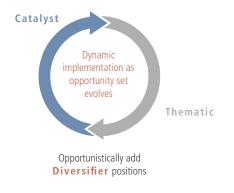
### **Expected Fund Characteristics**

Number of Positions <sup>1</sup>	Target Sharpe	Expected Beta <sup>2</sup>	Expected Correlation <sup>2</sup>	Leverage <sup>3</sup>
5 – 7	0.6 - 0.8	±0.25	±0.25	150 – 250%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Number of positions varies; typically 5 – 7 trades but will vary depending on the opportunity set.

### **Trade Examples**

Positions can be expressed on an absolute or relative basis; characterized as thematic, catalyst or diversifiers



Entering 2022, there was high conviction that the ultra easy financial conditions would need to be tightened going forward.

The team assessed various trades across asset classes to take advantage of this view, and traded:

- A "2s 10s Flattener", a trade designed to benefit from monetary policy tightening (Thematic trade)
- Short USDJPY ahead of Bank Of Japan (BoJ) meeting, to benefit from an expected short-term increase in the value of the Yen relative to USD if the BoJ took action to address growing inflation concerns (Catalyst trade)
- Short QQQ<sup>4</sup> straddle, a trade to incorporate volatility "carry" whilst providing a hedge given concentration of risk to fighter financial conditions (**Diversifier**)

### **Investment Team**

Dedicated team of seasoned professionals supported by independent macro thinkers across the firm



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Expected beta and correlation to MSCI ACWI (Global Equity).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Typically, 150 – 250%; max 450% gross exposure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A passively managed ETF that tracks the Nasdaq-100 index.

### **Key Differentiators**

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PEER GROUP

### Opaque

No sight into the positions / trades of the fund

### NEUBERGER BERMAN TACTICAL MACRO FUND

### **TRANSPARENT**

Clear updates and ongoing open dialogue on positioning, performance, market environment and trade ideas

### **High Fees**

Above market average fees – typically a 2 and 20 structure



### **COST-EFFICIENT**

Base fee more in line with typical actively managed strategies, and performance fee alignment

### **High Frequency Trading**

High frequency trading models and quantitative strategies can dominate positioning and risk



### **FUNDAMENTAL PROCESS**

Portfolio management team discretion for every position, no purely systematic trading

### **Isolated**

Typically hedge funds are run in isolation by specialist managers



### **ACCESS ALL OF NB**

Strategy positions are informed by insights and research from across our global platform

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### **Risk Considerations**

**Market Risk:** The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy. As the Fund can take synthetic short positions, some market effects could be amplified and result in higher losses.

**Liquidity Risk:** The risk that the Fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. This may affect the value of the Fund and in extreme market conditions its ability to meet redemption requests upon demand. To counter this risk the Fund actively monitors the liquidity of its investments.

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