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# A Better Alternative: Diversify Your Diversifiers

## Executive Summary

Over the last decade stocks and bonds posted above-average returns with below-average risk.<sup>1</sup> After this extended party may come a long hangover, as investors today face anemic 5-10 year returns in traditional asset classes.

Some liquid alternatives represent an attractive option but come with their own challenges: many have not provided meaningful diversification, and “line-item risk” in individual strategies can be hard to weather. Our solution is to focus on truly diversifying alternatives and diversify across them - resulting in returns that may be less volatile, and a portfolio that may be easier to stick with.

<sup>1</sup> The 2012 - 2021 average return for the U.S. 60/40 portfolio was 10.2% and volatility was 7.4%, vs a 4.3% average return and 11.0% volatility during the 1900 - 2011 year period. U.S. 60/40 is represented by 60% MSCI USA Index and 40% Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index.

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## Part 1: No More Bull

Stock and bond markets are historically expensive. At the start of 2022, the expected 5-10 year return for a global 60% stocks / 40% bonds portfolio was near the lowest observed in more than a century.<sup>2</sup> Despite meaningful

cheapening since then (e.g., as the global 60/40 portfolio lost approximately 16% in the first half of the year), the long-term picture remains unattractive. (**Exhibit A**).

### Exhibit A: Historically Low Expected Returns for Traditional Portfolios

(January 1, 1900 - June 30, 2022)



Source: AQR, Bloomberg, Robert Shiller's Data Library, Ibbotson Associates (Morningstar), Kozicki-Tinsley (2006), Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Blue Chip Economic Indicators, Consensus Economics. Earnings data through 12/31/2021. U.S. 60/40 portfolio is 60% U.S. equities and 40% long-dated Treasuries; Global 60/40 portfolio is 60% MSCI World and 40% GDP-weighted long-dated government bonds from countries in MSCI World universe. Real equity yield is simple average of two measures:  $(0.5 * \text{Shiller } E/P * 1.075) + 1.5\%$  and  $\text{Dividend/Price} + 1.5\%$ . The 1.5% term is assumed long term real earnings per share (EPS) growth. The 0.5 multiplier reflects the long-term payout ratio; the 1.075 multiplier accounts for EPS growth during 10-year earnings window. U.S. stock universe is S&P 500. Real bond yield is yield on long-term government bonds minus long-term expected inflation based on Blue Chip Economic Indicators, Consensus Economics and the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. Before survey data became available in 1978, expected long-term inflation is based on statistical estimates and on 1-year ahead Livingston inflation forecasts. This is one set of estimates of ex-ante real yields for equities and bonds, but other reasonable specifications should tell broadly the same story. Chart is for illustrative purposes only. Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance. Please read important disclosures in the Appendix.

Granted, traditional assets have been expensive for a while but did not suffer a meaningful setback until recently. What changed? The macro environment was no doubt a major catalyst. Pandemic-related supply chain disruptions, geopolitical tensions and the overhang of years of stimulative policy coalesced to create the highest inflation in 40 years. This, coupled with a rapid shift toward monetary tightening, has led to pronounced weakness across both stocks and bonds.

**Exhibit B** shows how macro risks have previously affected investor portfolios. On the left side, we report the average return of a global 60/40 portfolio in four different environments. As expected, times of improving growth and benign inflation (i.e., the top-left quadrant) have tended to produce the strongest returns for traditional assets. The opposite environment (lower-right quadrant) hasn't been anywhere as kind.

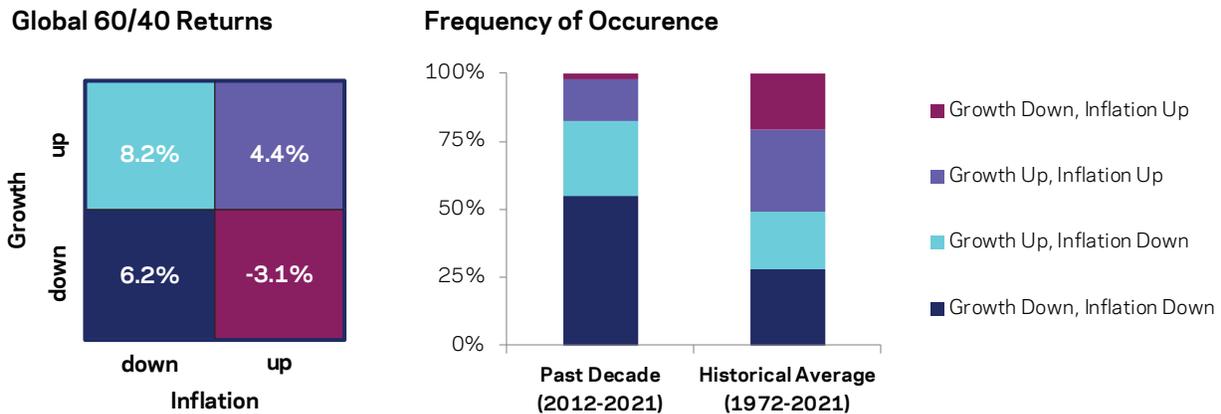
<sup>2</sup> Using a valuation-based framework. See [AQR's Capital Market Assumptions](#) for more detail, and expected returns of a range of traditional and alternative assets.

So which environments should we expect in the decade ahead? As shown on the right side of **Exhibit B**, the past decade (first bar) may be a poor guidepost. Rather, the long-term

evidence (second bar) suggests less-friendly macro outcomes happen just as frequently, posing additional risks for portfolios that have seen a good decade of trailing returns.

## Exhibit B: Macroeconomic Conditions Can Have a Significant Impact on Traditional Portfolios

(January 1, 1972 - December 31, 2021)



Source: AQR, Bloomberg, Ibbotson Associates (Morningstar), GFD and Datastream. Global 60/40 takes 60% MSCI World Index and 40% GDP-weighted portfolio of G6 10-year government bonds from GFD (hedged to USD). Cash is represented by the BAML 3-Month T-bill Index from July 1992 to December 2021, and prior to this index an AQR Index is used which is constructed by extrapolating daily returns based on yield change and slope of 3-month T-Bills is used from January 1959 to June 1992. Prior to the AQR Index, the GFD 3-month Total Return T-bill Index is used. Please see Disclosures at the end for more details on the construction of the return series and macroeconomic environmental indicators. Hypothetical performance results have certain inherent limitations, some of which are disclosed in the Disclosures. Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance.

More worrying, inflation—and uncertainty around its future direction—can uncover another weakness in traditional portfolio construction: the presumption of diversification between stocks and bonds. Among the reasons the past few decades were favorable for traditional portfolios was that stocks and bonds tended to provide returns that were negatively correlated to each other—one asset generally provided outsized returns when the other asset struggled.<sup>3</sup> This relationship, too, has changed. The correlation between stocks and bonds tends to rise with inflation uncertainty<sup>4</sup> and 2022 has already pushed stock-bond correlations higher than they've been in decades.

Today's environment is thus challenging for two big reasons: traditional portfolios look to be riskier *and* have lower expected returns than in years past. This leaves many investors stuck between a rock and a hard place. To get back to their risk tolerance, investors could reduce their allocations to return-seeking assets. Or, to maintain expected returns, they could increase their allocations to risky assets, potentially resulting in risks higher than they may be able to bear.

Alternatives may offer a solution to this dilemma—if they can deliver on their promise of diversifying returns.

3 See the 2Q2022 AQR Alternative Thinking, "The Stock/Bond Correlation". Until this year, stocks and bonds had posted two consecutive quarters of negative returns only once in the past 40 years.

4 See the 2Q2022 AQR Alternative Thinking, "The Stock/Bond Correlation". Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

## Part 2: Alternative in Name Only?

The Global Financial Crisis (GFC) was a major catalyst for the growth of the alternatives industry. Investors recovering from portfolio losses sought strategies that were resilient to the full spectrum of market environments. If equities were the dominant risk in most portfolios, alternatives were added to provide some diversification.<sup>5</sup>

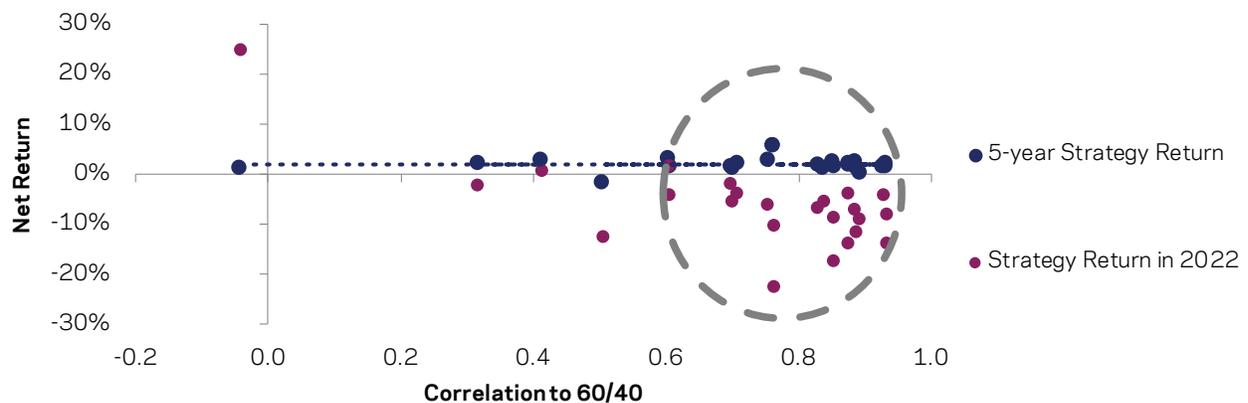
However, despite investors' objective of diversification, the bull market following the GFC was an environment in which it did not pay to be truly alternative.<sup>6</sup> A consequence—somewhat perversely—was that

less-diversifying strategies or portfolios with greater reliance on stock and bond returns got a greater boost from these exposures—potentially attracting more attention and inflows as a result.

Of course, a correlation of exactly zero to stocks and bonds shouldn't necessarily be the objective for an alternative strategy, but correlations near one are unlikely to help much in mitigating existing portfolio risks. This explains the generally disappointing performance in the first half of 2022 for so many “alternatives” (see red dots in **Exhibit C**).

### Exhibit C: Be Wary of Non-Alternative Alternatives

(Multi-Strategy Alternative Strategies Correlation to 60/40 and Net Return, Five Years Ending June 30, 2022)



Source: AQR, Bloomberg. 60/40 is a portfolio made up of 60% stocks, 40% bonds. Stocks are represented by the MSCI World Index, Bonds by the Barclays U.S. Treasury Index. “Multi-Strategy Alternative Mutual Funds” refers to the Morningstar Multistrategy Category constituents with at least five years of return data. Returns for the underlying strategies within this category are shown net of fees as provided by Morningstar. Broad-based securities indices are unmanaged and are not subject to fees and expenses typically associated with managed accounts or investment funds. Investments cannot be made directly in an index. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

For some alternatives, correlation risk may be greater still (and perniciously, more difficult to observe). For example, private equity returns may appear diversifying during choppy

markets by insulating investors from monthly volatility (consider the Covid drawdown in February 2020 for public markets versus privates). However, their true risks tend to

<sup>5</sup> Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

<sup>6</sup> Giving birth to the acronym TINA, or “there is no alternative” (to stocks).

come to light in prolonged bear markets. At these longer horizons, private assets share many of the same economic risks as their public counterparts. In other words, although illiquids can have a role in a diversified

portfolio, if an investor is looking to build a more *resilient* portfolio, illiquid counterparts to existing liquid exposures are unlikely to offer much of a solution.

## Part 3: Succeeding Unconventionally

Diversification is both an *objective* and a *challenge* of alternatives investing. On one hand, diversifiers have the potential to improve an overall portfolio's risk-adjusted return (e.g., by improving expected returns, reducing risk, or a combination of the two). On the other hand, the unconventional nature of true diversifiers can make them hard to hold. Take the returns of traditional assets as a comparison: investors have an intuition for how and why stocks and bonds make money over the long term, and rarely lack easy explanations for when those markets are down. Not so for diversifying sources of returns. Their ups and downs are by design largely independent of moves in stocks and bonds, and thus inevitable periods of underperformance (and even outperformance!) can be harder to explain and stick with.<sup>7</sup>

How can investors improve their odds of long-term success with diversification? We

believe the two most important requirements are: 1) identifying strategies with long-term evidence and driven by economic theory, and 2) diversifying aggressively across those strategies.

### 1) Identify the Right Strategies

AQR has managed and refined a range of alternative strategies for almost 25 years. We've focused on developing strategies with (1) fundamental, economic justifications, (2) empirical evidence of success, and (3) diversifying returns, i.e., value-add beyond what can be attributed to passive market exposure.

Many of these strategies were initially designed for institutions, but over time were also adapted for individual investors. **Exhibit D** shows six strategies that we believe can form the core of an alternatives allocation.

<sup>7</sup> For example, a diversified long/short equity portfolio profits (or loses) from the relative performance of potentially hundreds of long and short positions. A difficult period may be (again, by design) attributable to a series of adverse idiosyncratic moves without a common theme or explanation.

## Exhibit D: The Right Stuff

Strategy Name	Description
<b>Multi-Asset</b>	Invests by allocating risk, rather than dollars, in a balanced manner across multiple asset classes
<b>Equity Market Neutral</b>	Seeks returns without exposing investors to risks of equity markets by going long stocks expected to perform well and shorting stocks expected to perform poorly
<b>Macro Opportunities</b>	Invests across asset classes and geographies on the basis of macroeconomic fundamentals
<b>Managed Futures</b>	Employs a trend following approach to invest long and short in liquid futures and forwards contracts across asset classes
<b>Style Premia</b>	Takes both positive and negative views on assets, investing across four investment styles in multiple markets and asset classes
<b>Diversified Arbitrage</b>	Combines a range of arbitrage strategies (e.g., event driven and convertible arbitrage) into one portfolio in an effort to capture multiple sources of return

Source: AQR. For illustrative purposes only. Source: AQR. As of 4/30/2022. It is expected that on a regular basis the Fund will maintain an allocation to cash of around 2%, although this allocation may vary depending on market conditions.

## 2) Diversify Your Diversifiers

Individual strategy returns go through ups and downs (**Exhibit E**, dotted lines), which poses “line-item risk” for investors who hold these strategies a la carte. As shown on the right side of **Exhibit E**, annual returns of these individual strategies can have meaningful swings in performance (the “whiskers” show the 10% best and 10% worst annual outcomes for the six strategies).

In contrast, the *combination* of these strategies (as shown by the solid line on the left, and

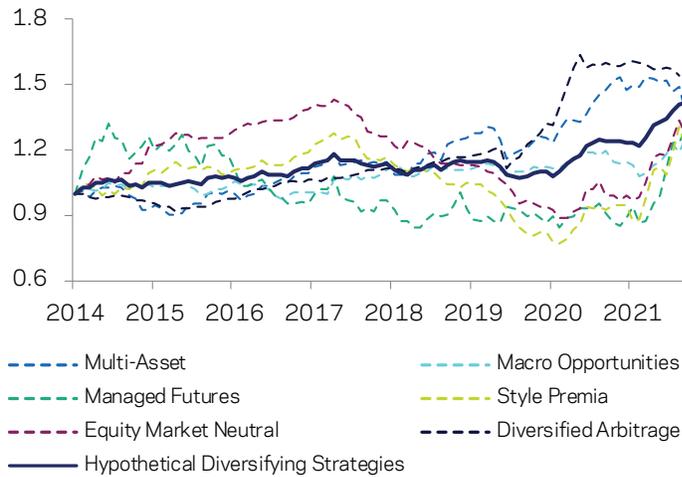
in the second box-and-whisker plot) has had a much narrower range of outcomes around its long-term average. This is due to diversification.<sup>8</sup> A key feature of these strategies is that each is lowly correlated to the five others—here, a 0.1 average pairwise correlation across all constituents. This allows the aggregate portfolio to be relatively well insulated from gyrations in underlying strategy returns. We believe this is a key advantage to well-diversified multistrategy alternatives, and a valuable feature for any investor allocating to diversifiers.

<sup>8</sup> Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

## Exhibit E: Diversify Your Diversifiers

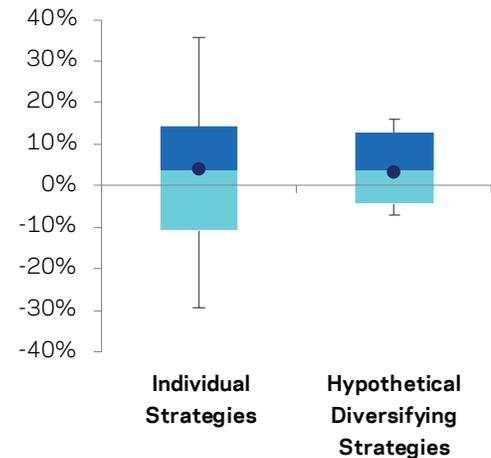
### Different Strategies Pay Off at Different Times:<sup>\*</sup> Growth of Hypothetical Dollar

November 1, 2014 - June 30, 2022



### Same Average Return, Tighter Range of Outcomes<sup>\*\*</sup>

November 1, 2014 - June 30, 2022



<sup>\*</sup> Using common inception period, November 1, 2014. <sup>\*\*</sup> Using 12-month rolling returns.

Source: AQR, Bloomberg. Hypothetical performance shown above is net of fees. All performance figures contained herein are prepared by AQR Capital Management, LLC ("AQR"). All performance figures contained herein are in USD. The Hypothetical Diversifying Strategies portfolio is a weighted combination of the underlying strategies. For illustrative purposes only and not representative of an actual portfolio AQR currently manages. Management fees for the Multi-Asset, Macro Opportunities, Managed Futures HV, Style Premia Alternative, Equity Market Neutral, and Diversified Arbitrage strategies are 0.75% from November 2014 through June 2020 and 0.60% beginning July 2020, 1.25% from November 2014 through June 2020 and 1.00% beginning July 2020, 1.45%, 1.35%, 1.10%, and 1.00% per annum respectively. The GIPS Composite Reports for the strategies above can be found in the disclosures at the end. Hypothetical performance results have certain inherent limitations, some of which are disclosed in the Appendix.

## Part 4: Where Does a Diversifier Fit in a Portfolio?

For a diversified collection of the six strategies in **Exhibits D** and **E** ("Diversifying Strategies"), we believe a conservative return expectation is 5% above cash,<sup>9</sup> with approximately 6% volatility. These characteristics can allow Diversifying Strategies to be used to meet different investor objectives (**Exhibit F**, which for illustrative purposes, starts from the perspective of a 60/40 stock/bond portfolio).

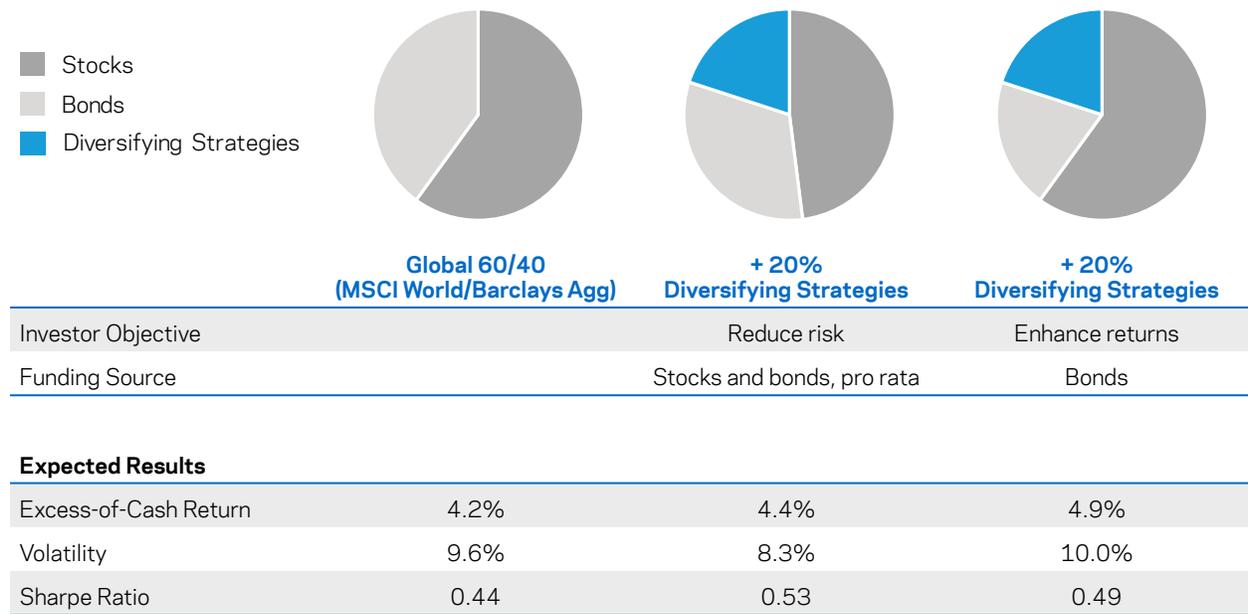
Investors looking to de-risk their portfolios *efficiently* (e.g., reduce risk without correspondingly reducing expected return) might consider allocating to Diversifying Strategies prorata from stocks and bonds. This could reduce both equity and bond risk (or "beta"), while preserving the stock/bond mix and the overall portfolio's expected returns.

<sup>9</sup> Cash rate used is U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bills.

Investors seeking to boost expected returns might instead choose to make an allocation primarily from lower-risk assets—in this case, bonds (last column). Such an allocation might only moderately increase the overall portfolio’s expected volatility, as the allocation would represent a shift between two relatively low-volatility assets.

Of course, the exact decision will vary with investor objectives and their portfolio allocations, but we believe this general framework is a useful guidepost for incorporating a new source of diversifying returns.

**Exhibit F: Diversifying Strategies in a Portfolio Context**



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## Conclusion: Diversification for the Next Decade

Many of the asset classes that helped portfolios over the past ten years are likely to disappoint in the next ten. Valuations remain stretched for stocks, bonds, and portfolios that rely on these market factors. The macro environment has also signaled a clear departure from the goldilocks conditions investors once enjoyed. High inflation, a hawkish monetary policy response and a potential adverse growth shock all represent headwinds to traditional portfolio returns. At the same time, many portfolios have become riskier, as stocks and bonds have become less diversifying to each other. Investors may need new sources of diversification now more than ever.

While alternatives may be an attractive solution, we recognize the challenges they represent for investors. Many strategies touted as alternatives offer little in the way of actual diversification. And even if these can be efficiently screened out, the question remains how best to build a portfolio of “true” diversifiers. Individual strategies have ups and downs that, by construction, happen unconventionally. Fortunately, if there are multiple strategies to diversify across, many of these bumps can be made smoother. For these reasons, we believe a diversified collection of alternative strategies may offer the best path to diversification—an investment that is easier to allocate to *and* easier to stick with.

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Each of our macro indicators combines two series, which are first normalized to Z-scores: that is, we subtract a historical mean from each observation and divide by a historical volatility. For the growth and inflation indicators we use in-sample means and volatilities because we do not have long histories of economist forecasts needed to construct the surprise series. This choice does not seem to change any major results. When we classify our quarterly 12-month periods into, say, 'growth up' and 'growth down' periods, we compare actual observations to the median so as to have an equal number of up and down observations (because we are not trying to create an investable strategy where data should be available for investors in real time, we use the full sample median).

The underlying series for our growth indicator are the Chicago Fed National Activity Index (CFNAI) and the "surprise" in industrial production growth over the past year. Since there is no uniquely correct proxy way to capture "growth," averaging may make the results more robust and signals appropriate humility. CFNAI takes this averaging idea to extremes as it combines 85 monthly indicators of U.S. economic activity. The other series - the difference between actual annual growth in industrial production and the consensus economist forecast a year earlier - is narrower but more directly captures the surprise effect in economic developments. We use median forecasts from the Survey of Professional Forecasters data as published by the Philadelphia Fed. While data surprises a priori have a zero mean, this series has exhibited a downward trend in recent decades, reflecting the (partly unexpected) relative decline of the U.S. manufacturing sector.

Note that our growth indicator is constructed from fundamental economic data, rather than asset market returns. Market-based proxies of economic growth - which might include equity market returns, the relative performance of cyclical industries, dividend swaps, and estimates from cross-sectional regressions of asset returns on growth surprises - are "too close" to the patterns we try to explain. Our choice brings its own challenges: macroeconomic data are backward-looking, published with lags and later revised, while asset prices are clearly forward-looking. The impact of publication lags and the mismatch between backward- and forward-looking perspectives can be mitigated by using longer windows. Thus, we use contemporaneous annual economic data and asset returns through our analysis (past-year data with quarterly overlapping observations). Arguably composite growth surprise indices are the best proxies of economic growth news, but such composites are available at best from the 1990s. Forecast changes in economist surveys as well as business and consumer confidence surveys may be the next best choices because they are reasonably forward-looking and timely. We focus on U.S. data, which have the longest histories. Finally, it is not clear how real economic growth ties to expected corporate cash flow growth (e.g., earnings per share) that influence stock prices, or to real yields that influence all asset prices but especially those of bonds.

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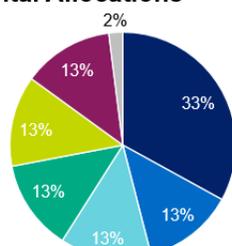
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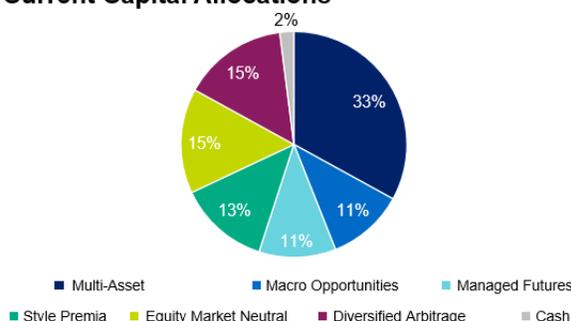
# Underlying Alternative Allocations

## Capital Allocations and Pro-Forma Performance

### Strategic Capital Allocations



### Current Capital Allocations



### Hypothetical Expected Pro-Forma Performance

	AQR Diversifying Strategies
Net Excess of Cash Return (Ann.)	4.86%
Volatility (Ann.)	5.83%
Net Sharpe Ratio (Ann.)	0.83
Beta to MSCI World Index	0.15
Beta to Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index	0.33
Strategy Fee*	1.05%

\* Strategy Fee is the weighted average of the highest underlying composite fees. Actual Fee will be different.

Source: AQR, Bloomberg. Allocations above may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Cash is represented by ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch 3 Month T-Bill Index. Hypothetical portfolio results are for illustrative purposes only. Hypothetical data has inherent limitations, some of which are disclosed in the Appendix. Expected performance shown above is net of fees. Capital allocations are illustrative and can vary depending on the assumptions. Assumptions are subject to change at any time without notice. The AQR Diversifying Strategies portfolio is subject to change at any time and assumes quarterly rebalancing. "Expected" or "Target" returns or characteristics refer to expectations based on the application of mathematical principles to portfolio attributes and/or historical data, and do not represent a guarantee. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by AQR in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances, many of which are detailed herein. Changes in the assumptions may have a material impact on the information presented.

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## AQR Capital Management, LLC

### Diversifying Strategies Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)

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Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 7/1/2020

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.05% model mgmt. fee per annum

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Source: AQR

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	Net Return
1 Yr.	9.5%
Cumulative Return SI (07/01/20)	24.8%
Annualized Return SI	11.2%

## AQR Capital Management, LLC

### Diversifying Strategies Composite (7/1/2020 - 12/31/2021)

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2020	5.31	4.76	0.07	1	N/A	N/A	20.54	139,714.13
2021	10.88	9.73	0.05	1	N/A	N/A	33.43	123,007.08

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated based on 1.05% management fee per annum

**Composite Description:** The Diversifying Strategies Composite (the "Composite") was created in July 2020. The investment objective of the Composite strategy (the "Strategy") is to seek capital appreciation. The Strategy is designed to complement an investor's traditional stock and bond portfolio. The Strategy invests in a portfolio of AQR mutual funds, providing exposure to both Absolute Return strategies and Active Multi-Asset strategies. The Composite is denominated in USD.

The Strategy uses derivatives, such as futures, forwards, and swaps, to obtain exposure to markets and to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, both long and short. The derivatives employed in the Strategy contain embedded economic leverage as the margin required to hold the contract is less than the notional economic exposure of the underlier. In addition, the Strategy may employ leverage through prime brokerage. Leverage will vary over time based on market conditions, risk environment, assets traded, and opportunity set. Additionally, the Strategy may use shorting and derivatives to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, such as exchange rate risk embedded into security holdings.

**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the "Benchmark"). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor's performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor's performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

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### AQR Capital Management, LLC

#### Risk Parity Composite (60% S&P 500 Index / 40% Barclays Capital Aggregate Bond Index)

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Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 10/1/2010

Net return 1 calculated based on 0.75% model mgmt. fee per annum from inception to 06/30/2020

Net return 1 calculated based on 0.6% model mgmt. fee per annum since 07/01/2020

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Source: AQR

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	Net Return
1 Yr.	-4.6%
5 Yr.	6.1%
10 Yr.	5.3%
Cumulative Return (10/01/10)	100.5%
Annualized Return	6.1%

### AQR Capital Management, LLC

#### Risk Parity Composite (10/1/2010 - 12/31/2020)

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2010	4.10	3.90	0.04	1	N/A	N/A	23.97	32,701.21
2011	6.39	5.60	0.10	1	N/A	N/A	388.49	43,540.99
2012	15.38	14.53	0.11	1	N/A	N/A	1,039.57	71,122.42
2013	1.11	0.35	0.07	1	9.19	0.03	934.08	98,302.69
2014	8.04	7.23	0.03	1	9.08	0.02	622.32	122,655.99
2015	-7.46	-8.16	0.05	1	9.63	0.02	519.48	142,173.39
2016	10.92	10.10	0.33	1	8.64	0.05	400.35	175,089.36
2017	17.48	16.61	0.86	1	7.45	0.11	477.78	223,432.52
2018	-6.10	-6.81	1.87	1	6.70	0.20	255.56	193,554.78
2019	22.14	21.25	2.28	1	7.52	0.20	136.25	185,575.93
2020	3.59	2.89	0.67	1	9.53	0.27	138.32	139,714.13

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated from inception through June 2020 based on 0.75% management fee per annum. Beginning July 2020, calculated based on 0.60% management fee per annum.

**Composite Description:** The Risk Parity Composite (the “Composite”) was created in October 2010. Accounts included invest in global developed market equities, global developed market bonds, global inflation protected bonds, developed and emerging market currencies, and commodities in a risk-balanced manner. Accounts also incorporate active tactical asset allocation and security selection views, which allows for limited shorting. Accounts gain exposure to these markets by holding securities and derivatives, where appropriate. The Composite’s accounts target a moderate level of ex-ante volatility. Prior to January 31, 2019, accounts also allocated to emerging market equities and bonds and credit-related instruments. Since inception, accounts included have at times adjusted their target volatility to accommodate changing market environments. The Composite is denominated in USD.

The Composite strategy (the “Strategy”) uses derivatives, such as futures, forwards, and swaps, primarily to obtain exposure to markets, both long and short. The derivatives employed in the Strategy contain embedded economic leverage as the margin required to hold the contract is less than the notional economic exposure of the underlier. In addition, the Strategy may employ leverage through prime brokerage. In both cases, leverage is employed to increase the overall volatility of the Strategy to the desired level. Leverage will vary over time based on market conditions, risk environment, assets traded, and opportunity set. Additionally, the Strategy may use shorting and derivatives to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, such as exchange rate risk embedded into security holdings.

**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the “Benchmark”). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor’s performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor’s performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

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## AQR Capital Management, LLC

### Managed Futures Full Volatility Private Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)

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Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 9/1/2009

Net return 1 calculated based on 2% model mgmt. fee per annum from inception to 08/31/2015

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.7% model mgmt. fee per annum since 09/01/2015 to 06/30/2020

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.36% model mgmt. fee per annum since 07/01/2020

Net return 2 calculated based on 1% model mgmt. fee, 10% performance fee (over 3 Month T-bill hurdle) per annum from inception to 06/30/2020

Net return 2 calculated based on 0.85% model mgmt. fee, 10% performance fee (over 3 Month T-bill hurdle) per annum since 07/01/2020

Net return 3 calculated based on 1.36% model mgmt. fee per annum

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Source: AQR

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	Net Return 1	Net Return 2	Net Return 3
1 Yr.	44.2%	44.9%	44.2%
5 Yr.	4.9%	5.6%	5.1%
10 Yr.	3.5%	4.0%	3.9%
Cumulative Return (09/01/09)	43.0%	52.0%	51.0%
Annualized Return	2.8%	3.3%	3.2%

**AQR Capital Management, LLC**  
**Managed Futures Very Aggressive Composite (8/1/2013 – 12/31/2020)**

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2013	8.83	8.19	0.02	1	N/A	N/A	38.71	98,302.69
2014	16.74	15.08	0.03	1	N/A	N/A	220.85	122,655.99
2015	3.63	2.14	0.05	1	N/A	N/A	521.71	142,173.39
2016	-11.83	-13.12	0.33	1	15.38	0.05	748.26	175,089.36
2017	-0.10	-1.54	0.86	1	13.42	0.11	822.66	223,432.52
2018	-12.99	-14.26	1.87	1	12.64	0.20	485.02	193,554.78
2019	3.51	2.02	2.28	1	12.67	0.20	281.19	185,575.93
2020	1.02	-0.44	0.67	1	13.85	0.27	118.62	139,714.13

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated based on 1.45% management fee per annum

**Composite Description:** The Managed Futures Very Aggressive Composite (the “Composite”) was created in August 2013. The investment objective of the Composite strategy (the “Strategy”) is to achieve attractive risk-adjusted returns through a trend-following strategy that is uncorrelated to traditional investments over the long term. The Strategy invests in a diversified portfolio of equity, fixed income, currency and commodity-linked instruments, both long and short, based on trends relevant to each asset using a systematic, quantitative investment process. The Strategy invests primarily in financial futures, commodity futures and currency forwards, but it may also invest in option and swap contracts, fixed income securities, pooled investment vehicles (largely money market funds), and other investments intended to serve as margin or collateral for the accounts’ derivative positions. Accounts included pursue an ex-ante target volatility of 15% per annum, which is subject to change on a near term basis to best accommodate changing market conditions. Accounts included utilize an instrument set and risk allocation geared to best suit non-private investors. The Composite is denominated in USD.

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**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the “Benchmark”). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor’s performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor’s performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

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**AQR Capital Management, LLC**

**Style Premia Moderate-to-High Volatility Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)**

Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 11/1/2013

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.35% model mgmt. fee per annum from inception to 06/30/2022

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.3% model mgmt. fee per annum since 07/01/2022

Net return 2 calculated based on 0.63% model mgmt. fee, 10% performance fee (over 3 Month T-bill hurdle) per annum

Net return 3 calculated based on 1.5% model mgmt. fee per annum

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Source: AQR

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	Net Return 1	Net Return 2	Net Return 3
1 Yr.	22.6%	23.5%	22.4%
5 Yr.	-0.2%	0.4%	-0.3%
Cumulative Return (11/01/13)	28.7%	32.6%	27.0%
Annualized Return	2.9%	3.3%	2.8%

**AQR Capital Management, LLC**  
**Style Premia Moderate-to-High Volatility Composite** (11/1/2013 - 12/31/2020)

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return 1 %	Net Return 2 %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2013	4.31	4.08	3.78	0.02	1	N/A	N/A	419.31	98,302.69
2014	12.94	11.44	11.02	0.03	2	N/A	N/A	695.55	122,655.99
2015	9.31	7.86	7.78	0.05	2	N/A	N/A	2,027.52	142,173.39
2016	0.79	-0.56	0.16	0.33	2	6.98	0.05	4,021.22	175,089.36
2017	13.61	12.10	11.72	0.86	2	6.53	0.11	4,989.76	223,432.52
2018	-11.11	-12.32	-11.67	1.87	2	5.98	0.20	3,570.16	193,554.78
2019	-6.75	-8.01	-7.34	2.28	2	6.23	0.20	2,315.65	185,575.93
2020	-21.02	-22.10	-21.52	0.67	2	7.00	0.27	800.98	139,714.13

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return 1 calculated based on 1.35% management fee per annum

Net Return 2 calculated based on 0.625% management fee and 10.00% performance fee (over Benchmark hurdle) per annum

**Composite Description:** The Style Premia Moderate-to-High Volatility Composite (the "Composite") was created November 2013. The investment objective of the Composite strategy (the "Strategy") is to provide positive absolute returns. The Strategy targets 10% annualized volatility. The Strategy aims to provide efficient, diversified exposure to four fundamental investment styles - value, momentum, carry and defensive - in a transparent and liquid vehicle with low correlation to traditional asset classes. Styles are defined as being persistent, pervasive and economically intuitive. The Strategy provides exposures to the four styles by constructing diversified, long-short portfolios across stocks/industries, equity indices, fixed income, currencies and commodities executed exclusively through relative value, market-neutral strategies. The Composite is denominated in USD.

The Strategy uses derivatives, such as futures, forwards, and swaps, primarily to obtain exposure to markets, both long and short. The derivatives employed in the Strategy contain embedded economic leverage as the margin required to hold the contract is less than the notional economic exposure of the underlier. In addition, the Strategy may employ leverage through prime brokerage. In both cases, leverage is employed to increase the overall volatility of the Strategy to the desired level. Leverage will vary over time based on market conditions, risk environment, assets traded, and opportunity set. Additionally, the Strategy may use shorting and derivatives to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, such as exchange rate risk embedded into security holdings.

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**Fees & Expenses:** Composite net of fees returns are calculated by deducting the maximum model management or advisory fee AQR could charge from the composite monthly gross returns. AQR's asset-based fees for portfolios within the Composite may range up to 1.35% of assets under management and are generally billed monthly or quarterly at the commencement of the calendar month or quarter during which AQR will perform the services to which the fees relate. Composite assets may have been exposed to the impact of performance fees. As of December 31, 2020, AQR Style Premia Offshore Fund II, L.P. had a management fee and estimated expense ratio of 1.25% and 0.12% per annum, respectively.

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**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Equity Market Neutral Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)**

Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 11/1/2014

Net return 1 calculated based on 1.1% model mgmt. fee per annum

Net return 2 calculated based on 1.3% model mgmt. fee per annum

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Source: AQR

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	<b>Net Return 1</b>	<b>Net Return 2</b>
1 Yr.	22.2%	21.9%
5 Yr.	-2.1%	-2.3%
Cumulative Return (11/01/14)	21.1%	19.3%
Annualized Return	2.5%	2.3%

**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Equity Market Neutral Composite (11/1/2014 - 12/31/2020)**

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2014	4.61	4.42	0.00	1	N/A	N/A	5.89	122,655.99
2015	20.52	19.22	0.05	2	N/A	N/A	322.56	142,173.39
2016	7.39	6.22	0.33	1	N/A	N/A	1,116.06	175,089.36
2017	7.18	6.01	0.86	1	5.59	0.11	2,236.54	223,432.52
2018	-10.62	-11.61	1.87	1	5.72	0.20	1,122.38	193,554.78
2019	-10.13	-11.12	2.28	1	5.73	0.20	263.58	185,575.93
2020	-18.51	-19.41	0.67	1	6.35	0.27	48.58	139,714.13

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated based on 1.10% management fee per annum

**Composite Description:** The Equity Market Neutral Composite (the "Composite") was created in November 2014. The investment objective of the composite strategy (the "Strategy") is to provide capital appreciation. The Firm will target a long-term average annualized volatility of 6.0%. The Strategy pursues its investment objective by holding a portfolio of long and short positions in equity securities, while targeting a beta of 0 to the overall equity market. The strategy utilizes a set of valuation, momentum, economic and other signals to generate the investment portfolio. The Composite is denominated in USD.

Stock Selection strategies primarily do not utilize leverage as part of the Strategy's active investment strategy, and primarily do not use derivatives for leverage. For portfolio management purposes, the Strategy may use equity index futures, swaps, and/or currency forwards to equitize flows or for security-specific implementation efficiency to minimize transaction costs. In certain cases, the Strategy may also use derivatives as a tool for implementing country- or currency-specific overlay views. For these portfolios, the currency forwards and country-level equity index futures are implemented with the intention of expressing an active investment strategy. However, for strategies that do not explicitly trade country and currency selection models, derivatives typically represent only a more efficient means of gaining and managing risk exposures.

**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the "Benchmark"). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor's performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor's performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

**Fees:** Composite net of fees returns are calculated by deducting the maximum model management or advisory fee AQR could charge from the composite monthly gross returns. AQR's asset-based fees for portfolios within the Composite may range up to 1.10% of assets under management and are generally billed monthly or quarterly at the commencement of the calendar month or quarter during which AQR will perform the services to which the fees relate. Composite assets may have been exposed to the impact of performance fees.

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**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Diversified Arbitrage Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)**

Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 2/1/2009

Net return 1 calculated based on 1% model mgmt. fee per annum

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Source: AQR

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	Net Return
1 Yr.	-2.5%
5 Yr.	8.0%
10 Yr.	4.5%
Cumulative Return (02/01/09)	82.8%
Annualized Return	4.6%

**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Diversified Arbitrage Composite (2/1/2009 - 12/31/2020)**

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2009	9.84	8.85	0.22	1	N/A	N/A	239.10	23,571.55
2010	6.06	5.01	0.13	2	N/A	N/A	1,337.20	32,701.21
2011	2.39	1.37	0.10	2	N/A	N/A	2,325.90	43,540.99
2012	4.40	3.37	0.11	2	1.67	0.03	2,779.17	71,122.42
2013	2.94	1.92	0.07	2	1.17	0.03	2,935.71	98,302.69
2014	-3.89	-4.85	0.03	2	2.30	0.02	2,429.16	122,655.99
2015	-3.69	-4.65	0.05	2	2.57	0.02	1,104.42	142,173.39
2016	8.73	7.65	0.33	1	3.67	0.05	465.99	175,089.36
2017	7.17	6.11	0.86	1	3.32	0.11	471.81	223,432.52
2018	3.43	2.40	1.87	1	2.89	0.20	400.45	193,554.78
2019	9.83	8.74	2.28	1	2.05	0.20	539.28	185,575.93
2020	26.72	25.48	0.67	1	8.11	0.27	878.38	139,714.13

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated based on 1.00% management fee per annum

**Composite Description:** The Diversified Arbitrage Composite (the "Composite") was created in February 2009. Accounts included invest a portion of their assets in a diversified portfolio of arbitrage and alternative investment strategies including convertible arbitrage and other kinds of arbitrage or alternative investment strategies. The remainder is generally invested in interest-bearing money market accounts and treasury bills. The Composite is denominated in USD.

The Composite strategy uses derivatives, such as futures, forwards, and swaps, to obtain exposure to markets and to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, both long and short. The derivatives employed in the strategy contain embedded economic leverage as the margin required to hold the contract is less than the notional economic exposure of the underlier. Leverage is employed to increase the overall volatility of the strategy to the desired level. Leverage will vary over time based on market conditions, risk environment, assets traded, and opportunity set.

**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the "Benchmark"). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor's performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor's performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

**Fees:** Composite net of fees returns are calculated by deducting the maximum model management or advisory fee AQR could charge from the composite monthly gross returns. AQR's asset-based fees for portfolios within the Composite may range up to 1.00% of assets under management and are generally billed monthly or quarterly at the commencement of the calendar month or quarter during which AQR will perform the services to which the fees relate. Composite assets may have been exposed to the impact of performance fees.

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**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Global Macro Composite (ICE BofAML U.S. 3M T-Bill)**

Unaudited Net Returns in USD. Inception date of the composite: 2/1/2012

Net return 1 calculated based on 0.9% model mgmt. fee, 20% performance fee (over 3 Month T-bill hurdle) per annum

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Source: AQR

**Please see important performance disclosures below**

	Net Return
1 Yr.	17.6%
5 Yr.	9.1%
10 Yr.	6.8%
Cumulative Return (02/01/09)	87.0%
Annualized Return	6.1%

**AQR Capital Management, LLC****Global Macro Composite (2/1/2012 - 12/31/2021)**

Year	Gross Return %	Net Return %	Benchmark * Return %	Number of Portfolios	Composite 3-Yr StDev %	Benchmark * 3-Yr StDev %	Composite Assets (\$M)	Total Firm Assets (\$M)
2012	3.81	2.39	0.11	1	N/A	N/A	10.99	71,122.42
2013	26.54	20.36	0.07	1	N/A	N/A	12.60	98,302.69
2014	0.03	-0.87	0.03	1	N/A	N/A	29.88	122,655.99
2015	6.97	5.01	0.05	1	7.54	0.02	134.38	142,173.39
2016	0.18	-0.72	0.33	1	7.57	0.05	146.05	175,089.36
2017	-3.70	-4.57	0.86	1	7.49	0.11	147.37	223,432.52
2018	9.35	8.38	1.87	1	9.50	0.20	190.05	193,554.78
2019	7.63	5.87	2.28	1	9.13	0.20	162.27	185,575.93
2020	12.28	9.16	0.67	1	9.94	0.27	232.83	139,714.13
2021	1.62	0.58	0.05	1	10.70	0.32	303.90	123,007.08

\*ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index

Net Return calculated based on 0.90% management fee and 20.00% performance fee (over ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index hurdle) per annum

**Composite Description:** The Global Macro Composite (the “Composite”) was created in February 2012. The investment objective of the Composite strategy (the “Strategy”) is to generate absolute returns that are diversifying to traditional and other alternative investments by expressing macroeconomic views across markets. The Strategy employs a primarily fundamental approach, building views across asset classes and geographies on the premise that markets ultimately respond to and reflect changes in their underlying fundamentals. Opportunities are exploited across equities, credit, fixed income, currencies and commodities, and across both developed and emerging markets. Both relative value and directional strategies are employed, using a diversified set of macro inputs and themes. Accounts included pursue an ex-ante target volatility of 15% per annum, which is subject to change on a near term basis to best accommodate changing market conditions. Since inception, accounts included have at certain times adjusted their target volatility level. Accounts included utilize an instrument set and risk allocation geared to best suit private investors. The Composite is denominated in USD.

The Strategy uses derivatives, such as futures, forwards, and swaps, primarily to obtain exposure to markets, both long and short. The derivatives employed in the Strategy contain embedded economic leverage as the margin required to hold the contract is less than the notional economic exposure of the underlier. In addition, the Strategy may employ leverage through prime brokerage. In both cases, leverage is employed to increase the overall volatility of the Strategy to the desired level. Leverage will vary over time based on market conditions, risk environment, assets traded, and opportunity set. Additionally, the Strategy may use shorting and derivatives to hedge unwanted market exposure gained from portfolio holdings, such as exchange rate risk embedded into security holdings.

**Benchmark:** The Composite benchmark is the ICE Bank of America ML U.S. 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (the “Benchmark”). The Benchmark measures the rate of return an investor would realize when purchasing a single U.S. 3-month treasury bill, holding it for one month, selling it, and rolling it into a newly selected issue at the beginning of the next month. The

investments in the Composite vary substantially from those in the Benchmark. The index has not been selected to represent an appropriate benchmark to compare an investor's performance, but rather is disclosed to allow for comparison of the investor's performance to that of a certain well-known and widely recognized index.

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