

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund provides exposure to U.S. equities with the goal of low tracking error relative to the S&P 500® Index. Slight tilts toward those areas demonstrating the strongest relative strength will be systematically incrementally overweighted. This, combined with an innovative options overlay strategy, seeks to provide greater returns than the S&P 500® Index with a similar level of risk.

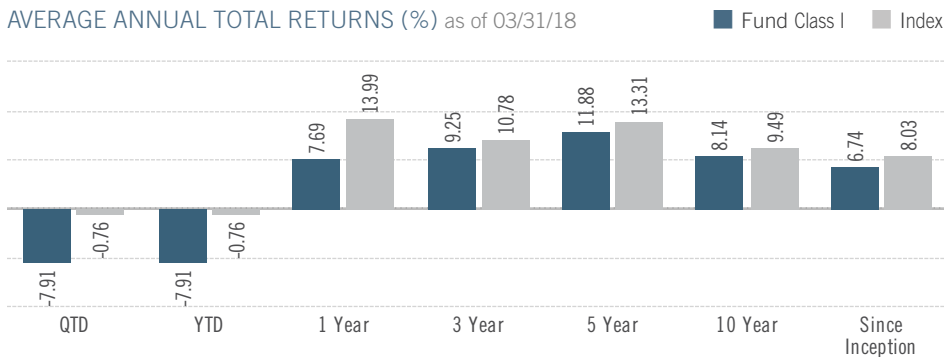
KEY FEATURES

**Proprietary Options Trading Strategy** — The options strategy seeks to exploit pricing inefficiencies in the S&P 500® Index options market. This type of strategy tends to be less accessible and more difficult to consistently implement outside of professional investment management

**Lower Correlation** — Excess returns generated from the options strategy tend to be less correlated with equity markets

**Risk Mitigation** — All options trades are short dated and have defined loss parameters

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 03/31/18



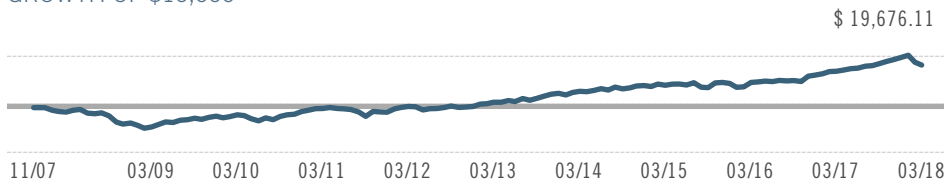
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The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.13%. The net expense ratio is 0.96%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 1/31/2019. This ratio reflects the direct and indirect expenses paid by the Fund. The net expense ratio minus the indirect expenses incurred by the underlying funds in which the Fund invests is 0.95%. Average annual total return is the annual compound return for the indicated period and reflects the change in share price and the reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. Returns for periods of one year or less are cumulative returns. Class I shares have no sales charges or distribution or service fees, therefore their returns do not reflect these expenses. Fees and expenses vary, and other share classes are subject to sales charges and fees. Class I shares are offered primarily to eligible institutional investors who purchase the minimum amounts required as described in the prospectus and may not be available to all investors. For fund performance on other share classes, please visit www.virtus.com.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Fund	22.83	12.20	3.24	13.31	29.05	14.55	-1.80	13.18	23.93	-34.88
Index	21.83	11.96	1.38	13.69	32.39	16.00	2.11	15.06	26.46	-37.00

GROWTH OF \$10,000



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 11/13/2007. As of 3/29/2018 the fund value would have been \$19,676.11. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

Effective December 8, 2014 this fund changed its strategy and its subadviser to Rampart Investment Management. Prior to October 11, 2016, the fund's name was the Virtus Growth & Income Fund. Effective May 8, 2017 this fund changed its name from the Virtus Enhanced Core Equity Fund.

FUND INFORMATION

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	PDIAX	92828N874
C Shares	PGICX	92828N858
I Shares	PXIIX	92828N841
R6 Shares	VECRX	92828N239

Inception Date	11/13/07
AUM (\$ millions)	168.3
Number of Holdings	512
Dividends	Semi-Annually
Morningstar Category	Large Blend
Lipper Category	Large-Cap Core Funds
Index	S&P 500® Index

MORNINGSTAR RATINGS

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
Overall	★★★	1,204
3 Year	★★★★	1,204
5 Year	★★★★	1,077
10 Year	★★	802

Strong ratings are not indicative of positive fund performance.

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

INVESTMENT SUBADVISER



Rampart Investment Management, an investment management affiliate of Virtus Investment Partners, is one of the leading asset managers specializing in option strategies. A registered investment adviser since 1983, Rampart manages client positions and portfolios using domestic and international index and equity options.

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

**Warun Kumar**  
Industry start date: 1993  
Start date with Fund: 2016

**Michael Davis**  
Industry start date: 1999  
Start date with Fund: 2016

**Brendan R. Finneran, CMT**  
Industry start date: 2003  
Start date with Fund: 2014

**Robert F. Hofeman, Jr.**  
Industry start date: 2002  
Start date with Fund: 2014

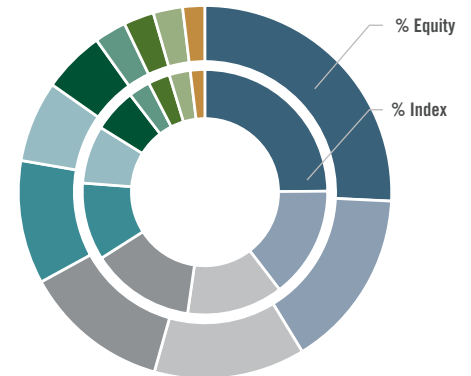
CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Index
Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn)	199.93	199.03
Median Market Cap (bn)	20.85	20.85
Trailing P/E	21.21	21.43
Price-to-Cash Flow	16.94	17.00
Price-to-Book Value	4.53	4.54
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	6.90	6.55
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	9.21	8.93

RISK STATISTICS (3 YEAR)	Fund	Index
Alpha	-1.09	n/a
Beta	0.98	1.00
R <sup>2</sup>	0.83	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.81	1.02
Standard Deviation	10.83	10.11

TOP TEN HOLDINGS	% Fund
Apple Inc.	3.82
Microsoft Corporation	3.16
Amazon.com, Inc.	2.60
PowerShares S&P 500 High Beta Portfolio	1.75
Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B	1.71
Facebook, Inc. Class A	1.70
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1.70
Alphabet Inc. Class C	1.39
Alphabet Inc. Class A	1.38
Johnson & Johnson	1.38

Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



	% Equity	% Index
Information Technology	25.76	24.87
Financials	15.52	14.73
Consumer Discretionary	13.10	12.67
Health Care	12.65	13.71
Industrials	10.70	10.21
Consumer Staples	7.03	7.65
Energy	5.39	5.74
Materials	2.76	2.86
Utilities	2.62	2.86
Real Estate	2.55	2.78
Telecommunication Services	1.92	1.92

IMPORTANT RISK CONSIDERATIONS

**Equity Securities:** The market price of equity securities may be adversely affected by financial market, industry, or issuer-specific events. Focus on a particular style or on small or medium-sized companies may enhance that risk. **Call/Put Spreads:** Buying and selling call and put option spreads on the SPX Index risks the loss of the premium when buying, can limit upside participation, and increase downside losses. **Portfolio Turnover:** The fund's principal investment strategies will result in a consistently high portfolio turnover rate. A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when fund shares are held in a taxable account. **Fund of Funds:** Because the fund can invest in other funds, it indirectly bears its proportionate share of the operating expenses and management fees of the underlying fund(s). **Industry/Sector Concentration:** A fund that focuses its investments in a particular industry or sector will be more sensitive to conditions that affect that industry or sector than a non-concentrated fund. **Prospectus:** For additional information on risks, please see the fund's prospectus. **Options Overlay:** The options overlay strategy may not be successful in achieving its objective of increasing distributable income while limiting the risk of loss and, in periods of significant moves in the S&P 500® Index, has resulted and, in the future, may result in losses for investors.

GLOSSARY

**Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn):** The total dollar market value of all of a company's outstanding shares. **Trailing P/E:** Per share stock price divided by the latest 12-months earnings per share. **Price-to-Cash Flow:** Per-share stock price divided by the per-share operating cash flow. **Price-to-Book Value:** A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. **3-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 3-year period. **5-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 5-year period. **Alpha:** A risk-adjusted measure of an investment's excess return relative to a benchmark. **Beta:** A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. **R<sup>2</sup>:** A measure that represents the percentage of a fund or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. **Sharpe Ratio:** A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. **Standard Deviation:**

Measures variability of returns around the average return for an investment portfolio. Higher standard deviation suggests greater risk.

Index: The S&P 500® Index is a free-float market capitalization-weighted index of 500 of the largest U.S. companies. The index is calculated on a total return basis with dividends reinvested. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment.

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