

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund seeks to generate total return from both current income and capital appreciation by investing primarily in higher-quality intermediate-term debt securities across 14 global bond sectors. A disciplined, time-tested investment process and rigorous risk management approach aim to capitalize on opportunities across undervalued areas of the fixed income markets.

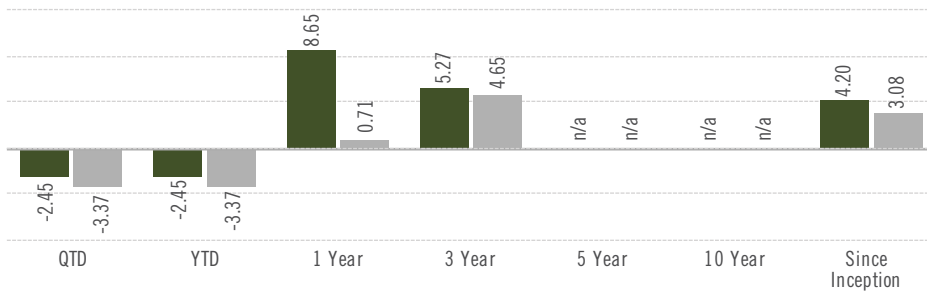
KEY FEATURES

- Broad Fixed Income Exposure** — Highly diversified, duration-neutral core plus bond allocation, primarily focused on higher-quality, more liquid securities
- Relative Value Focus** — Top-down analysis weighs relative attractiveness of 14 global bond sectors, evaluating fundamentals, yields, spreads, and supply/demand dynamics
- Extensive Fundamental Research** — Security selection driven by bottom-up analysis of individual bond quality, credit risk, valuation, company management, structure, and technical elements

FUND INFORMATION

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	SAVAX	92828R107
C Shares	SAVCX	92828R305
I Shares	SAVYX	92828R404
R6 Shares	VBFRX	92828W270
Inception Date		11/03/16
AUM (\$ millions)		111.1
Number of Holdings		520
Dividends		Daily
Morningstar Category		Intermediate Core-Plus Bond
Lipper Category		Core Plus Bond Funds
Index		Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 03/31/21 ■ Fund Class R6 ■ Index



MORNINGSTAR RATINGS

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
Overall	★★★	540
3 Year	★★★	540
5 Year	Not Rated	n/a
10 Year	Not Rated	n/a

Morningstar ratings are based on risk-adjusted returns. Strong ratings are not indicative of positive future performance.

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Please visit virtus.com for performance data current to the most recent month end. This share class has no sales charges and is not available to all investors. Other share classes have sales charges. See virtus.com for details.

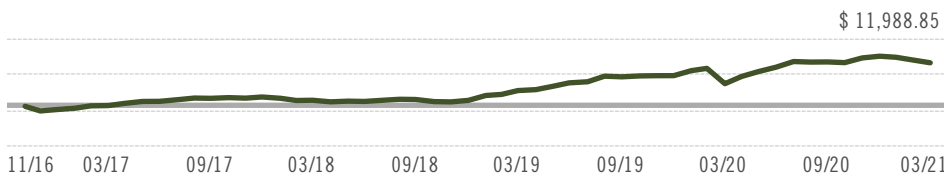
The fund class gross expense ratio is 0.74%. The net expense ratio is 0.43%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 2/1/2022.

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.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Fund	7.79	10.99	-1.47	5.81	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Index	7.51	8.72	0.01	3.54	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

GROWTH OF \$10,000



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 11/3/2016. As of 3/31/2021 the fund value would have been \$11,988.85. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

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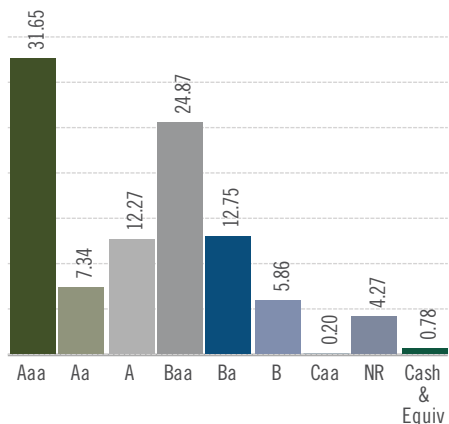
Newfleet Asset Management leverages the knowledge and skill of a team of investment professionals with expertise in every sector of the bond market, including evolving, specialized, and out-of-favor sectors. The team employs active sector rotation and disciplined risk management to portfolio construction.

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

David L. Albrycht, CFA
Industry start date: 1985
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2012

Stephen H. Hooker, CFA
Industry start date: 1993
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2017

RATINGS DISTRIBUTION



CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Fund
Effective Duration	5.06
Weighted Average Maturity	7.00
30-day SEC Yield ¹	2.27
30-day SEC Yield (unsubsidized) ²	2.00

¹ 30-day SEC Yield is a standardized yield calculated according to a formula set by the SEC, and is subject to change.

² 30-day SEC Yield (unsubsidized) is the 30 day SEC yield without the effect of applicable expense waivers.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS

Security	% Fund
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 3.0000% 08/15/2048	4.14
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 1.5000% 02/15/2030	1.92
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 2.8750% 08/15/2028	1.17
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 1.3750% 08/15/2050	1.12
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 2.5000% 02/15/2046	1.02
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 2.0000% 02/15/2050	0.80
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 0.1250% 05/31/2022	0.74
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 0.2500% 05/31/2025	0.71
United States Treasury Note/Bond, 0.8750% 11/15/2030	0.68
Towd Point Mortgage Trust 2018-6, 3.7500% 03/01/2058	0.58

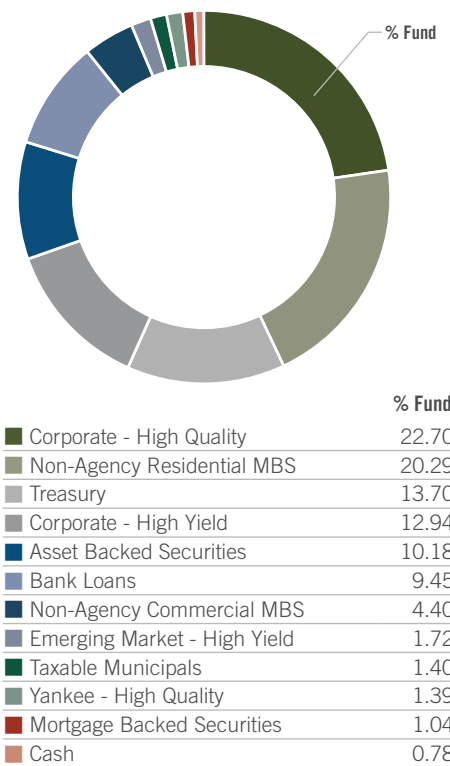
DISTRIBUTIONS

Month	NAV at Month-End
January 2021	\$0.021835
February 2021	\$0.024369
March 2021	\$0.025338

RISK STATISTICS (3 YEAR)

	Fund	Index
Alpha	0.58	n/a
Beta	1.02	1.00
R ²	0.48	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.74	0.91
Standard Deviation	5.16	3.51

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

IMPORTANT RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Credit & Interest: Debt instruments are subject to various risks, including credit and interest rate risk. The issuer of a debt security may fail to make interest and/or principal payments. Values of debt instruments may rise or fall in response to changes in interest rates, and this risk may be enhanced with longer-term maturities. **ABS/MBS:** Changes in interest rates can cause both extension and prepayment risks for asset- and mortgage-backed securities. These securities are also subject to risks associated with the non-repayment of underlying collateral, including losses to the portfolio. **High Yield Fixed Income Securities:** There is a greater risk of issuer default, less liquidity, and increased price volatility related to high yield securities than investment grade securities. **Bank Loans:** Loans may be unsecured or not fully collateralized, may be subject to restrictions on resale and/or trade infrequently on the secondary market. Loans are subject to credit and call risk, may be difficult to value, and have longer settlement times than other investments, which can make loans relatively illiquid at times. **Foreign & Emerging Markets:** Investing in foreign securities, especially in emerging markets, subjects the portfolio to additional risks such as increased volatility, currency fluctuations, less liquidity, and political, regulatory, economic, and market risk. **Market Volatility:** Local, regional, or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the portfolio and its investments, including hampering the ability of the portfolio manager(s) to invest the portfolio's assets as intended. **Prospectus:** For additional information on risks, please see the fund's prospectus.

GLOSSARY

Effective Duration: The change in the value of a fixed income security that will result from a 1% change in interest rates while taking into account the way changes in rates will affect the expected cash flows of any bond with an embedded option such as call or prepayment option. This measure assigns a probability to the exercise of a call option, where applicable, based on specified shifts in the yield curve. Duration is expressed as a number of years, and generally, the larger the duration, the greater the interest rate risk or reward for a portfolio's underlying bond prices. **Weighted Average Maturity:** The length of time until the average security in a fund will mature, be redeemed by its issuer, or paid down over time, which is the case with most securitized assets. **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. **R²:** 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 DEFINITION

Index: The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index measures the U.S. investment grade fixed rate bond market. The index is calculated on a total return basis. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment.

RATINGS DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY

The ratings issued by Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations assess the credit worthiness of a corporation's or government's debt issues. The ratings apply to the fund's holdings and not the fund. Ratings are provided by Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch. For certain securities that are not rated by any of these three agencies, credit ratings from other agencies may be used. Where the rating agencies rate a security differently, Newfleet uses the higher rating. If a rating is not available, the bond is placed in the Not Rated category. Credit ratings are subject to change. Aaa, Aa, A, and Baa are investment grade ratings; Ba, B, Caa, Ca, C, and D are below-investment grade ratings.

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