



# AVE MARIA BOND FUND

## Q2 2022 COMMENTARY

For the three months ended June 30, 2022, the total return on the Ave Maria Bond Fund (AVEFX) was -3.22%, compared to the Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Government/Credit Index at -2.37%. The returns for the Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022 were:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.^	5 Yrs.^	10 Yrs.^	Since Inception^*	Prospectus Expense Ratio
Ave Maria Bond Fund	-4.81%	-5.09%	2.61%	3.14%	3.33%	3.93%	0.44%
Bloomberg Intermediate U.S. Govt./Credit Index	-6.77%	-7.28%	-0.16%	1.13%	1.45%	2.94%	

^ Annualized \* Since Inception date is 5-1-2003

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The Fund's short-duration profile and high quality, dividend-paying common stocks were the main drivers of performance over the benchmark index for the first half of 2022. On an individual security basis, the top contributors were the common stocks of First Horizon National Corporation (bank), Lockheed Martin Corporation (defense) and Chevron Corporation (integrated oils). The Fund's weakest performing securities were the common stocks of VF Corporation (apparel & footwear), Watsco, Inc. (industrial wholesale) and Fastenal Co. (industrial wholesale).

The first half of the year saw a large movement in interest rates across the yield curve. The 10-year Treasury started the year yielding 1.4% and ended June yielding 3%. The Federal Reserve (the Fed), to tame inflation, has increased the Fed Funds rate three times this year (0.25%, 0.50% and 0.75%) with the effective rate currently in the 1.50% to 1.75% range. Additionally, in June, the Fed reinstated Quantitative Tightening (QT) in order to reduce the size of its nearly \$9 trillion balance sheet. Until inflation is in check, investors are anticipating more tightening in monetary policy for the remainder of the year.

Market turmoil caused corporate credit spreads to increase, as investors demanded additional compensation for risk. In this light, the Fund was able to add high-quality corporate bonds at attractive prices throughout the first half of the year.

In a rising interest rate environment, the Ave Maria Bond Fund will continue to be managed in a conservative manner by keeping bond maturities short and credit quality high. Additionally, the high quality, dividend-paying common stocks in the Fund continue to offer an attractive combination of income and price appreciation potential.

We appreciate your continued interest in the Ave Maria Bond Fund.



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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS

As of 6-30-22, the holding percentages of the stocks mentioned in this commentary are as follows: First Horizon National Corporation (0.4%), Lockheed Martin Corporation (2.2%), Chevron Corporation (1.7%), VF Corporation (0.6%), Watsco, Inc. (1.2%) and Fastenal Co. (1.1%). Fund holdings are subject to change and should not be considered purchase recommendations. There is no assurance that the securities mentioned remain in the Fund's portfolio or that securities sold have not been repurchased. Fund holdings are subject to change and should not be considered purchase recommendations. The Fund's top ten holdings as of 6-30-22: U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Sec. 0.50% due 04/15/24 (2.3%), Lockheed Martin Corporation (2.2%), Illinois Tool Works, Inc. 2.65% due 11/15/26 (2.0%), U.S. Treasury Note 1.625% due 08/31/22 (2.0%), U.S. Treasury Note 2.875% due 11/30/23 (2.0%), U.S. Treasury Note 2.125% due 11/30/24 (2.0%), U.S. Treasury Note 0.375% due 04/15/24 (1.9%), U.S. Treasury Note 0.50% due 03/31/25 (1.9%), Exxon Mobil Corporation (1.7%) and Chevron Corporation (1.7%). The most current available data regarding portfolio holdings can be found on our website, [www.avemariafunds.com](http://www.avemariafunds.com). Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

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# AVE MARIA FOCUSED FUND

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For the three months ended June 30, 2022, the total return on the Ave Maria Focused Fund (AVEAX) was -22.43%, compared to the S&P MidCap 400® Growth Index which returned -17.46% and the S&P 500® Index at -16.10%. The returns for the Ave Maria Focused Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022 were:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	Since Inception <sup>^*</sup>	Prospectus Expense Ratio <sup>1</sup>
Ave Maria Focused Fund	-33.40%	-27.19%	2.86%	1.12%
S&P MidCap 400® Growth Index	-24.93%	-20.50%	13.58%	
S&P 500® Index	-19.96%	-10.62%	16.17%	

<sup>^</sup> Annualized    <sup>\*</sup> Since Inception date is 5-1-2020

<sup>1</sup>The adviser has contractually agreed to limit the ordinary operating expenses (excluding Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, interest, taxes, brokerage costs and extraordinary expenses) of the Ave Maria Focused Fund to an amount not exceeding 1.25% of the Fund's average daily net assets until at least May 1, 2023.

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During the first half of 2022, we saw the Federal Reserve remove liquidity from the economy via a combination of short-term interest rate increases and quantitative tightening. This caused a sell-off in the markets. Companies with higher growth rates were hit the hardest. The sell-off occurred indiscriminately, and great businesses were sold off along with the market; the baby was thrown out with the bathwater, so to speak. This setup is exciting because the Fund was able to deploy capital at attractive valuations throughout the first half of the year. The underlying businesses are performing remarkably well, and we are excited about prospects for the Fund's holdings. Below is a discussion of some of the Fund's top holdings, cumulatively representing over 45% of the Fund's assets.

### Digital Bridge Group, Inc.

Digital Bridge is a new holding. The company is an asset manager that invests, through private investment funds, in digital infrastructure assets such as data centers, cellular towers, small cells, fiber and edge installations. Digital Bridge could benefit from multiple tailwinds, including the proliferation of data, which needs infrastructure to transmit, process and store. We took advantage of the recent downward pressure on the stock price to add to the Fund's position.

### eDreams ODIGEO S.A.

This European travel agency has seen its stock hammered, producing a wide spread between the current price and our estimate of intrinsic value. While the situation is frustrating, it is also an opportunity to buy more shares of a wonderful company at a bargain basement price.



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### GFL Environmental, Inc.

GFL Environmental is a growing solid waste management company. In the first quarter of 2022, revenue increased 11.3% on an organic basis and 27.4% including acquisitions. At the company's investor day in May, the management provided increased free-cash-flow guidance for 2022, 2023 and 2024., which looks very positive.

### Texas Pacific Land Corporation

Texas Pacific Land Corporation (TPL) is one of the largest landowners in Texas. The company's internal operations are performing well with WTI oil prices around \$100 per barrel. Furthermore, high oil prices may encourage more drilling which bodes well for TPL's oil royalties, land easements and its frac water business. Recently, TPL entered a joint venture with a bitcoin miner to place bitcoin mining hardware on TPL's land and use excess natural gas as a low-cost energy source for the operation. While we are skeptical about the future of bitcoin, we view this venture as TPL gaining a free option on the value of bitcoin.

### Microsoft Corporation

Microsoft's cloud business is nearly half of the company's revenue and the largest business in Microsoft, with Office 365 being the second largest. The cloud business helps customers save money, so it is somewhat recession-proof. Office 365 allows customers to purchase low annual subscriptions, as opposed to purchasing expensive license agreements every few years. This could keep the revenue stable in a tough economic environment. We believe the company will be able to maintain mid-teen revenue growth for the foreseeable future.

### Brown-Forman Corp. – Class A

Brown-Forman is the manufacturer of several spirits, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, which is the only spirits brand in the world with an average price point above \$25.00 per bottle that sells over 10 million cases per year. Brown-Forman has several opportunities for growth. Jack Daniels has an ~35% market share in the developed world and only an ~10% share in the emerging markets. The company has launched several new products in the last five years that are gaining traction. With lockdowns ending globally, on-premises sales growing, and international travel recovering, the future looks bright for this iconic company.

Our confidence in the holdings of the Ave Maria Focused Fund comes from extensive research and our deep knowledge of the holdings and their prospects as businesses.

Thank you for your investment in the Ave Maria Focused Fund.



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The investment performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions. Performance data reflects certain fee waivers and reimbursements. Without such waivers, performance would have been lower. The S&P 500® Index is a capitalization weighted unmanaged index of 500 widely traded stocks, created by Standard & Poor's. The index is considered to represent the performance of the stock market in general. The S&P MidCap 400® Growth Index is an unmanaged benchmark representing medium-size U.S. growth companies. Indexes do not incur fees and it is not possible to invest directly in an index.

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# AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND

## Q2 2022 COMMENTARY

For the three months ended June 30, 2022, the total return on the Ave Maria Growth Fund (AVEGX) was -15.44%, compared to the S&P 500® Index which returned -16.10%. The returns for the Ave Maria Growth Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022 were:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.^	5 Yrs.^	10 Yrs.^	Since Inception^*	Prospectus Expense Ratio
Ave Maria Growth Fund	-24.61%	-22.10%	4.83%	9.91%	11.32%	10.47%	0.90%
S&P 500® Index	-19.96%	-10.62%	10.60%	11.31%	12.96%	9.85%	

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For the six months ended June 30, 2022, top contributors to return include Change Healthcare (healthcare technology), Texas Pacific Land Corp. (real estate), IQVIA Holdings (healthcare technology), Brookfield Asset Management (asset management), and Medtronic (medical devices).

### Top Five Return Contributors (YTD 2022)

Company	Contribution to Fund Return
Change Healthcare, Inc.	+0.42%
Texas Pacific Land Corporation	+0.13%
IQVIA Holdings, Inc.	+0.01%
Brookfield Asset Management, Inc.	-0.01%
Medtronic PLC	-0.01%

Change Healthcare received an acquisition offer from UnitedHealth at a price more than double our average purchase price in January of 2021. The acquisition subsequently failed to receive government approval, but to incentivize Change Healthcare shareholders to fight the issue in court, UnitedHealth promised to pay a dividend to Change Healthcare shareholders in the event of a deal break. The stock price rose accordingly, and we took the opportunity to exit Change Healthcare at an attractive price.

Texas Pacific Land Corporation, another of our top return contributors, is one of the largest landowners in the state of Texas. The company earns royalties on oil and gas production that takes place on its land. Those royalties, and therefore Texas Pacific's earnings, have risen rapidly along with oil prices.

### Top Five Return Detractors (YTD 2022)

Company	Contribution to Fund Return
Purple Innovation, Inc.	-2.49%
API Group Corporation	-1.86%
Copart, Inc.	-1.74%
Microsoft Corporation	-1.29%
S&P Global, Inc.	-1.18%



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Top detractors from return include Purple Innovation, Inc. (mattress manufacturing), API Group Corporation (industrial services), Copart, Inc. (salvage auctions), Microsoft Corporation (enterprise software) and S&P Global, Inc. (financial services).

During the first six months of the year, the Fund exited Autodesk (software), BlackRock (financial services), Change Healthcare, Frontdoor (home services), Medtronic, Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings (discount retail), and VF Corporation (clothing).

New additions to the Fund during the first six months of the year included Adobe, Inc. (creative software), Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (semiconductors), Avalara, Inc. (tax software), Chesapeake Energy Corporation (natural gas production), IQVIA Holdings, Inc. (data solutions), and Restoration Hardware (furniture retail).

The first six months of the year has been a disappointing period for stock prices, particularly growth stocks. Nonetheless, in our view, the Ave Maria Growth Fund remains a collection of some of the greatest businesses in the world. Our goal is to purchase and hold shares of exceptional companies at attractive prices with the expectations of earning favorable returns over the long run.

We appreciate your investment in the Ave Maria Growth Fund.





# AVE MARIA GROWTH FUND

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As of 6-30-22, the holding percentages of the stocks mentioned in this commentary are as follows: Change Healthcare, Inc. (no longer held), Texas Pacific Land Corporation (0.9%), IQVIA Holdings, Inc. (3.3%), Brookfield Asset Management, Inc. (4.2%), Medtronic PLC (no longer held), Purple Innovation, Inc. (1.2%), API Group Corporation (3.5%), Copart, Inc. (6.4%), Microsoft Corporation (6.1%), S&P Global, Inc. (4.3%), Adobe, Inc. (3.1%), Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (3.5%), Avalara, Inc. (0.4%), Chesapeake Energy Corporation (2.3%) and Restoration Hardware (0.4%). Fund holdings are subject to change and should not be considered purchase recommendations. There is no assurance that the securities mentioned remain in the Fund's portfolio or that securities sold have not been repurchased. The Fund's top ten holdings as of 6-30-22: Copart, Inc. (6.4%), Microsoft Corporation (6.1%), Texas Instruments, Inc. (6.1%), Visa, Inc. Class A (5.9%), Mastercard Incorporated (5.9%), AptarGroup, Inc. (4.4%), S&P Global, Inc. (4.3%), O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (4.2%), Brookfield Asset Management, Inc. (4.2%) and HEICO Corporation - Class A (4.2%). The most current available data regarding portfolio holdings can be found on our website, [www.avemariafunds.com](http://www.avemariafunds.com). Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

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# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND

## Q2 2022 COMMENTARY

For the three months ended June 30, 2022, the total return on the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund (AVEDX) was -11.73%, compared to -11.27% for the S&P 500® Value Index. The returns for the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022 were:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.^	5 Yrs.^	10 Yrs.^	Since Inception^*	Prospectus Expense Ratio
Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund	-12.71%	-5.99%	8.14%	9.41%	10.93%	9.10%	0.90%
S&P 500® Value Index	-11.41%	-4.86%	8.23%	8.19%	10.97%	7.69%	

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The strongest relative contributors to performance for the first half of the year were from the Energy, Consumer Staples and Industrials sectors. Only the Energy sector posted a positive return, up an impressive 25%. Three holdings made up the sector's performance, Pioneer Natural Resources Company (exploration & production) with a total return of 28%, Chevron Corporation (integrated oils) at 26% and Texas Pacific Land Corporation (royalty income – real estate) at 21%. The Industrials and Consumer Staples sectors outperformed the broader market but were down 5.7% and 6.6%, respectively. The Industrials sector held one of the Fund's best performing stocks, Lockheed Martin Corporation (defense), up 22.5% perhaps due to heightened geopolitical tensions.

The weakest sectors were Consumer Discretionary and Technology, down 25% and 22%, respectively. Technology is home to some of the Fund's more growth-oriented companies, which have underperformed so far this year.

During the first half of the year, two new companies were added to the Fund: Thor Industries, Inc. (recreational vehicles) and RH (home products store). Both were beneficiaries of COVID lockdowns and stimulus payments to consumers. Shares of both companies sold off from their highs and are currently out of favor with most investors, which we believe make them deeply undervalued. One stock was eliminated from the Fund, VF Corporation (apparel & footwear). Deteriorating fundamentals and sustained weakness in some of the company's core brands led us to liquidate the position.

The Fund's investment strategy identifies companies with strong balance sheets that operate with competitive advantages and produce consistent, above-average cash flow and dividend growth, facilitating a rising stream of dividends. We strive to buy these companies when they are unpopular and undervalued.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Ave Maria Rising Dividend Fund.



# AVE MARIA RISING DIVIDEND FUND

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As of 6-30-22, the holding percentages of the stocks mentioned in this commentary are as follows; Pioneer Natural Resources Company (4.6%), Chevron Corporation (3.4%), Texas Pacific Land Corporation (5.3%), Lockheed Martin Corporation (3.2%), Thor Industries, Inc. (1.3%) and RH (1.5%). Fund holdings are subject to change and should not be considered purchase recommendations. There is no assurance that the securities mentioned remain in the Fund's portfolio or that securities sold have not been repurchased. The Fund's top ten holdings as of 6-30-22: Texas Pacific Land Corporation (5.3%), Pioneer Natural Resources Co. (4.6%), Chubb Corporation (4.5%), Visa, Inc. Class A (4.4%), Texas Instruments, Inc. (3.9%), Chemed Corporation (3.9%), Medtronic PLC (3.5%), Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (3.5%), Chevron Corporation (3.4%) and Microsoft Corporation (3.4%). The most current available data regarding portfolio holdings can be found on our website, [www.avemariafunds.com](http://www.avemariafunds.com). Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

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# AVE MARIA VALUE FUND

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The Ave Maria Value Fund (AVEMX) had a total return of -11.27% for the three months ended June 30, 2022, compared to -15.42% for the S&P MidCap 400® Index. The returns for the Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.^	5 Yrs.^	10 Yrs.^	Since Inception^*	Prospectus Expense Ratio
Ave Maria Value Fund	-9.59%	-7.60%	6.80%	8.14%	7.43%	6.85%	0.97%
S&P MidCap 400® Index	-19.54%	-14.64%	6.87%	7.02%	10.90%	8.80%	

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The Fund's recent good relative performance is mainly attributable to strong share price appreciation in a handful of companies in the oil and natural gas sectors. In particular, the share prices of Chevron Corporation, Pioneer Natural Resources Company, Schlumberger Limited, and Texas Pacific Land Corporation all rose more than 20% during the first half of the year, as rising oil and natural gas prices have led to strong growth in sales, earnings, and cash flow for these companies.

The Fund's five best performing securities in the first half of 2022 were:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>YTD Return</u>
Pioneer Natural Resources Co.	Oil/gas Exploration & Production	29.23%
Chevron Corporation	Integrated oil/gas	27.68%
Haemonetics Corp.	Medical Instruments & Supplies	23.98%
Texas Pacific Land Corporation	Real Estate/Royalties	21.29%
Bowlero Corp.	Bowling Centers	20.82%

The Fund's five worst performing securities in the first half of 2022 were:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>YTD Return</u>
Purple Innovation, Inc.	Consumer Products	-76.60%
eDreams ODIEGO ADR	Travel Services	-50.91%
YETI Holdings, Inc.	Consumer Products	-38.15%
A.O. Smith Corporation	Specialty Machinery	-35.78%
Mirion Technologies, Inc.	Radiation Detection/Measurement	-34.17%



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During the second quarter of 2022, four stocks were eliminated from the portfolio: Change Healthcare, Inc. (Health Information Services), KKR & Co. (Asset Management), Lamar Advertising Company (Specialty REIT), and Watsco, Inc. (Industrial Distribution). These holdings were liquidated as their share prices reached or exceeded our estimate of intrinsic value. The sale proceeds were redeployed into more attractive opportunities in two new positions: Chesapeake Energy Corporation (Oil & Natural Gas Exploration & Production) and The St. Joe Company (Real Estate). We also added to several existing holdings in the Fund, as their share prices declined to more attractive levels.

It's difficult to imagine the second half of 2022 providing as much anxiety for stock and bond investors as did the first half. Eventually there will be another bull market, even though it may not look like it now, as investors are currently gripped with fear. When economic prospects are bleak and pessimism is rampant, the future returns from equity investments can be substantial. Periods of extreme uncertainty often create opportunities for outsized future investment gains by enabling the purchase of great companies at bargain prices. That's the essence of value investing.

Thank you for your investment in the Ave Maria Value Fund.



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For the three months ended June 30, 2022, the total return on the Ave Maria World Equity Fund (AVEWX) was -14.19%, compared to the MSCI All Country World Index at -15.66%. The returns for the Ave Maria World Equity Fund compared to its benchmark as of June 30, 2022 were:

	Year to Date	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.^	5 Yrs.^	10 Yrs.^	Since Inception^*	Prospectus Expense Ratio
Ave Maria World Equity Fund	-19.56%	-13.27%	1.09%	3.89%	6.52%	5.78%	1.02%
MSCI All Country World Index	-20.18%	-15.75%	6.21%	7.00%	8.76%	7.72%	

^ Annualized \* Since Inception date is 4-30-2010

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The adviser has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's ordinary operating expenses to an amount not exceeding 1.25% of the Fund's average daily net assets until at least May 1, 2023.

Large global markets have performed poorly in the first six months of 2022, which has led to negative total returns. China provided the least negative return as measured by the S&P China 500 index, which declined 11.48% in U.S. dollars. More broadly, the emerging markets held up better than the developed markets with the MSCI Emerging Market Index declining 17.63% in U.S. dollars. Japanese stocks, as measured by the Topix 150, declined 19.52% in U.S. dollars. Stocks in the United States and Europe performed the worst with the S&P 500 Index and S&P Europe 350 Index declining 19.96% and 20.11%, respectively.

The Fund outperformed the MSCI ACWI Index by 1.47% in the second quarter of 2022 primarily through stock selection.

### Top contributors to performance during the second quarter of 2022

Coca-Cola Europacific Partners PLC	+7.42%
Edenred S.A.	-4.01%
Mastercard Incorporated	-11.60%

### Top contributors to performance during the first half of 2022

First Horizon National Corporation	+33.09%
Edenred S.A.	+3.93%
Mastercard Incorporated	-11.96%



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Coca-Cola Europacific Partners PLC is the largest global Coca-Cola bottler by revenue. The management team has a track record of creating value for shareholders by consolidating and improving the operations of smaller bottlers. The company has been applying the same playbook to Coca-Cola Amatil, an Australian bottler with operations in 6 countries.

Edenred S.A. is the global leader in the employee benefits market. The company offers over 110 programs offering a variety of benefits such as meal vouchers and commuter benefits. The company is benefiting from the work from home/anywhere phenomenon and the need to retain and attract employees.

Mastercard Incorporated is a global technology company in the payments industry. Mastercard benefits from the secular migration away from cash to electronic payments and from the recovery in travel.

First Horizon Corporation is a leading regional bank that merged with IBERIABANK Corporation in 2020 forming a regional financial services company with 412 branches across 12 southern states. On February 28, 2022, The Toronto-Dominion Bank (TD Bank) reached an agreement with First Horizon Corporation to acquire the bank for \$25 per share.

### Bottom contributors to performance during the second quarter of 2022

Pioneer Natural Resources Company	-8.43%
Medtronic PLC	-18.49%
eDreams ODIGEO S.A.	-39.51%

### Bottom contributors to performance during the first half of 2022

IQVIA Holdings, Inc.	-23.09%
S&P Global, Inc.	-28.27%
eDreams ODIGEO S.A.	-50.91%

IQVIA Holdings, Inc. offers data solutions and clinical research services to life science companies. Approximately half of IQVIA's revenue comes from its contract research organization (CRO), which provides support to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries in the form of research services outsourced on a contract basis. IQVIA continues to win new contracts and grew its backlog to almost \$25 billion.

S&P Global, Inc. is a data-driven financial services company with leading franchises in the areas of data and analytics, credit rating, commodity insights and indices. S&P Global benefits from several secular trends including the disintermediation of banks, a shift to passive investing, and an increased focus on ESG, Climate & Energy Transition.

eDreams ODIGEO is one of the world's largest online travel companies and one of the largest European e-commerce businesses. eDreams took a page from Amazon and launched a prime membership service that offers members reduced rates on travel in exchange for a yearly membership fee. In May 2022, eDream's prime subscribers reached 2.9 million versus 1.2 million in June 2021.

During the second quarter, the Fund eliminated its positions in Willis Towers Watson Public Limited Company, First Horizon Corporation, and Koninklijke Philips N.V., while initiating new positions in HDFC Bank Limited (Financials), Partners Group Holding AG (Financials), Mirion Technologies, Inc. (Technology)





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