



# AQR Apex UCITS Fund

Factsheet | May 2024

## Key Information

**Share Class:**

C1 (GBP)

**Fund Inception Date:**

1 February 2017

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14 March 2017

**Fund Size:**

\$475mm (as of 31 May. 2024)

**Domicile:**

Luxembourg

**ISIN:**

LU1532680706

**Index:**

SONIA

**Share Price:**

147.15 (as of 31 May. 2024)

**Number of Holdings:<sup>1</sup>**

4809 (as of 31 May. 2024)

**Morningstar® Category:**

EAA Fund Alt - Multistrategy

**Minimum Subscription:**

£100K

**Investment Management Fee:<sup>2</sup>**

1.60%

**Expense Cap:**

0.19%

**Performance Fee:**

20.0%

**Local Lux Tax:<sup>3</sup>**

0.01%

## Fund Overview

**Fund Aspects:**

The AQR Apex UCITS Fund<sup>6</sup> ("Apex") is a multi-strategy portfolio designed to maximize risk adjusted returns while being highly diversifying to traditional markets.

Apex draws on 25 years of research into identifying and measuring market inefficiencies and risk premia, and systematically constructing highly diversified portfolios to capitalize on these fundamental insights.

Apex features AQR's most comprehensive expressions of market neutral stock selection, corporate arbitrage, and global macro. Apex is a dynamic strategy that tactically adjusts risk within and across capabilities in response to long term efficacy, variation in the opportunity set, and changes in the market environment.

**Fund Objective:**

The Fund seeks to achieve an annual 6% to 8% net of fee and excess of cash return while targeting a volatility level between 6% to 10% in most environments and low correlation to traditional asset classes.

There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

**Umbrella Fund:**

The Fund is a sub-fund of AQR UCITS Funds, a Luxembourg based UCITS of which the management company is FundRock Management Company S.A.

**Risk Management:**

Risk control is built into the portfolio construction process with a focus on volatility, liquidity, and funding risk management.

Portfolio managers, the Investment Committee and firm-wide Risk Management Department actively assess the risk of the Fund.

**Risk and Reward Profile:**

Calculated using historical data which may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. See Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for details.



## Share Class Performance (Net) as of 31 May. 2024<sup>4</sup>

	Share Class	Index <sup>5</sup>
1 Month	1.3%	0.4%
Since Inception	5.2%	0.9%

This shareclass was launched less than 12 months ago, therefore complete performance information cannot be shown at this time.

Past performance results in complete 12-month periods (1 June – 31 May)

<sup>1</sup> Holdings subject to change without notice.

<sup>2</sup> Fees follow a step-down structure. Fees are charged on an investor's net aggregate subscription (subscriptions minus redemptions) vs. a blended weighted average approach.

<sup>3</sup> Local Lux Tax per annum of Fund's NAV, payable quarterly.

<sup>4</sup> Source: AQR, Bloomberg. Past performance does not predict future returns. Returns over one year are annualised. For fees, refer to the Key Information section.

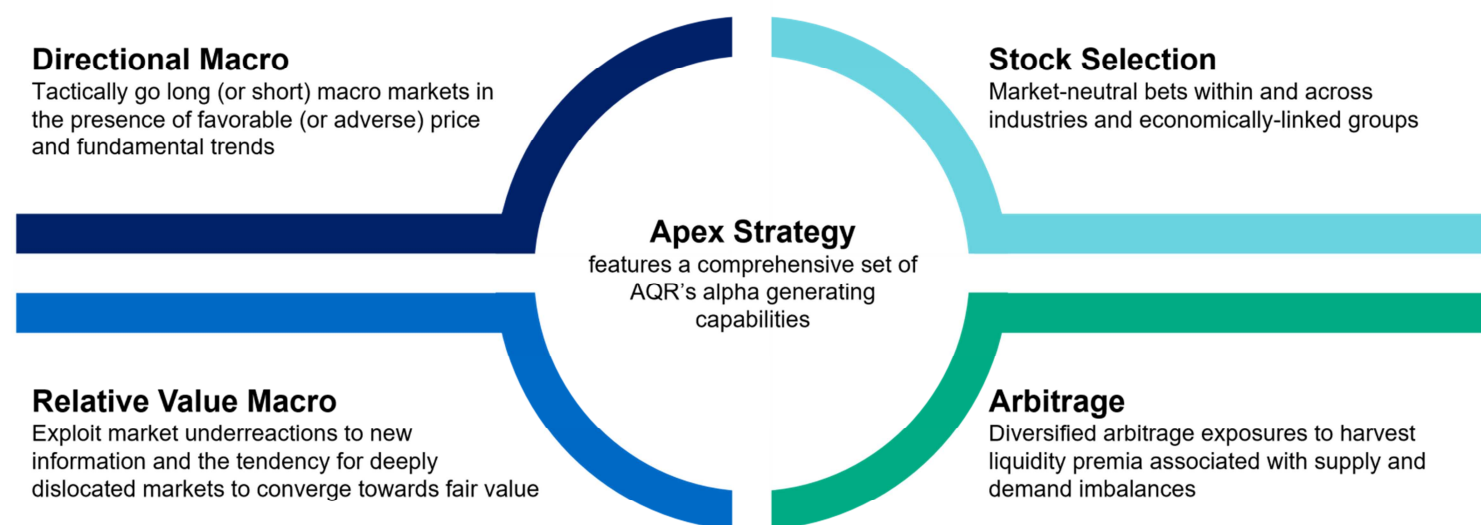
<sup>5</sup> The Fund is actively managed. The Index is not being used in reference to the management and/or implementation of the investment policy of the Fund, the referenced Index is used for the calculation of performance fees and/or as a point of comparison only.

<sup>6</sup> Prior to April 25, 2024, the AQR APEX UCITS Fund was formerly named the AQR Systematic Total Return UCITS Fund and was managed under a different investment strategy. The performance data shown is since the conversion to the APEX strategy.

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## Fund Characteristics

### A Comprehensive set of AQR's Alpha Generating Capabilities



## Principal Risks

The Fund may use derivatives in an attempt to reduce risk (hedging) or for investment purposes. It may be that the use of derivatives may not always be successful and cause unit prices to fluctuate which may in turn result in loss to the Fund.

The Fund is exposed to the currency markets which may be highly volatile. Large price swings can occur in such markets within very short periods and may result in your investment suffering a loss.

The Fund may enter into one or more derivatives with a counterparty. There is a risk that this party may fail to make its payments or become insolvent which may result in the fund and your investment suffering a loss.

The Fund may have leveraged exposure to particular investments. A fall in value of such investments can result in a proportionately greater loss to the Fund.

The Fund may invest in less economically developed (known as emerging) markets which can involve greater risks than well developed economies. Amongst other issues, the level of government supervision and market regulation may be less than in more developed economies and could affect the value of your investment. Investment in emerging markets also increases the risk of settlement default.

The Fund may invest in bonds, the value of which depends on the issuer being able to make its payments. There is always a risk that the issuer will fail to do so and this may result in your investment suffering a loss. This risk increases where the Fund invests in bonds which may not be recognised or which are rated below investment grade by major rating agencies or which are backed by more risky assets such as mortgages.

Your investment in the Fund is not guaranteed and is at risk. You may lose some or all of your investment.

The Fund relies upon the performance of the investment manager of the Fund. If the investment manager performs poorly the value of your investment is likely to be adversely affected.

More information in relation to risks in general may be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

## Investment Approach

Apex incorporates the full suite of AQR capabilities across individual stocks, macro, and arbitrage, tilting exposures towards attractive opportunities both within and across these capabilities.

Apex aims to achieve its objectives with a foundation in the following core principles:

**Fundamental-** Economically motivated investment and research philosophy.

**Systematic-** Disciplined approach to implementing fundamental ideas.

**Diversified-** Utilize a broad set of structurally and statistically different return sources.

**Capital Efficient-** Integrated trading vehicle to allow for meaningful allocation to underlying strategies.

**Evolutionary-** Continuous investment in enhancing the information set, methods, and implementations.

**Risk Managed-** Emphasis on risk management at every level of the portfolio.

**Apex incorporates the full suite of AQR’s capabilities:**

**Directional Macro-** Tactically go long (or short) macro markets in the presence of favorable (or adverse) price and fundamental trends.

**Relative Value Macro-** Relative-value views on macro markets that exploit market underreactions to new information and the tendency for deeply dislocated markets to converge towards fair value.

**Stock Selection-** Relative-value bets within industries, within economically linked groups, and across industries that span ~5,000 developed and ~1,000 emerging stocks across different geographies and market caps.

**Arbitrage-** Diversified arbitrage exposure across mergers, converts, and event driven strategies.

Each capability is comprised of numerous sub-strategies, representing different expressions of views in different sets of markets (e.g., developed currency selection within relative value macro). Tactical risk taking is embedded in the investment process. Apex varies capability and sub-strategy risk according to the opportunity, upweighting risk when signal strength and agreement is high and downweighting risk when signal strength and agreement is low.

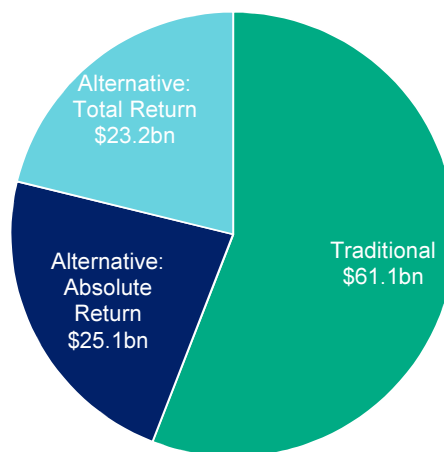
## Company Profile

### At a Glance:

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## Assets Under Management<sup>7</sup>

Total Assets: \$109.3bn



## Portfolio Managers



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<sup>7</sup> Approximate as of 31 May, 2024. Includes assets managed by AQR and its advisory affiliates.

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