



# Artisan Global Opportunities Fund

MONTHLY  
Commentary

Investor Class: ARTRX | Advisor Class: APDRX

As of 30 September 2024

## Commentary

The MSCI AC World Index returned 2.3% in September, bringing the Q3 return to 6.6%. September economic data supported US soft-landing hopes as inflation continued to decelerate while evidence of a labor market slowdown was enough for the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates by 50bps. Outside the US, China responded to increasing societal pressure and announced a series of stimulus measures that sent shares soaring.

Our portfolio underperformed the MSCI AC World Index in September and in Q3. Among our top contributors were Techtronic and Argenx. Techtronic is the global leader in power tools with well-established brands, including Milwaukee, Ryobi and Hart. Growth within its more consumer-related categories (Ryobi) has experienced weakness due to macro headwinds and elevated inventory levels, but recent earnings results showed a stabilization of this headwind. Meanwhile, we continue to witness strong professional demand for its Milwaukee products (~60% of the company's revenue) and believe this product portfolio is well positioned to benefit from growth in global infrastructure spending along with continued new product innovation.

Shares of Argenx have experienced strong recent performance due to multiple exciting developments. The company recently received approval from the FDA to use VYVGART® for chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyradiculoneuropathy (CIDP), which we expect to be the drug's second blockbuster indication given this is the first meaningful advance for patients in decades. Meanwhile, VYVGART®'s first approved indication in myasthenia gravis continues to shine, with sales beating analyst expectations in Q2. Lastly, the company continues to invest in clinical trials studying VYVGART® in numerous other rare autoimmune disorders and is making good progress in advancing its second breakthrough medicine.

Among our top detractors were Dexcom and Novo Nordisk. Our view was that Dexcom was well positioned to continue penetrating the Type 1 diabetes market and to drive adoption in the much larger Type 2 diabetes market, with data increasingly supporting the clinical and economic case for using its continuous glucose-monitoring (CGM) systems. Unfortunately, financial results showed meaningful growth deceleration, and shares responded accordingly. The company pointed to several causes for the surprising slowdown, most of which are execution related (sales force changes, distribution channel mismanagement) in the context of healthy industry trends. While we continue to believe in the case for CGMs and Dexcom's technology, the lack of execution is concerning. We believe these operational mistakes will take time to fix, and we decided to exit our position.

Novo Nordisk has leading positions in diabetes and obesity, and it has consistently innovated in these areas. While the diabetes business should continue delivering solid growth, our core investment thesis is centered around the company's entering a big profit cycle driven by its GLP-1 drugs, namely its Wegovy® offering. After a multiyear period of strong performance, shares have experienced recent weakness. While prescription volumes have remained strong, recent earnings results were disappointing due to larger-than-expected pricing discounts. Given the uncertainty around the future trajectory of pricing declines, we reduced our position.

## Portfolio Details

	ARTRX	APDRX
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$36.12	\$36.60
Inception	22 Sep 2008	1 Apr 2015
Expense Ratios		
Semi-Annual Report 31 Mar 2024 <sup>1</sup>	1.15%	1.02%
Prospectus 30 Sep 2023 <sup>2</sup>	1.15%	1.02%

<sup>1</sup>Unaudited, annualized for the six-month period. <sup>2</sup>See prospectus for further details.

## Top 10 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Advanced Micro Devices Inc (United States)	4.9
Boston Scientific Corp (United States)	4.8
Netflix Inc (United States)	4.0
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd (Taiwan)	3.9
Novo Nordisk A/S (Denmark)	3.6
Techtronic Industries Co Ltd (Hong Kong)	3.6
London Stock Exchange Group PLC (United Kingdom)	3.5
Argenx SE (Belgium)	3.3
Tencent Holdings Ltd (China)	3.0
adidas AG (Germany)	2.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37.6%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI.

## Sector Diversification (% of portfolio securities)

	Fund	ACWI <sup>1</sup>
Communication Services	10.7	7.8
Consumer Discretionary	8.3	10.7
Consumer Staples	1.0	6.3
Energy	0.0	4.0
Financials	6.4	16.2
Health Care	25.8	10.9
Industrials	14.7	10.6
Information Technology	27.8	24.5
Materials	3.9	4.1
Real Estate	1.2	2.2
Utilities	0.0	2.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/GICS/MSCI. Cash and cash equivalents represented 4.5% of the total portfolio. <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index.

## Investment Results (%)

As of 30 September 2024	Average Annual Total Returns							
	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTRX	1.72	4.24	16.89	32.13	1.58	11.70	11.14	11.29
Advisor Class: APDRX	1.72	4.27	17.01	32.28	1.72	11.85	11.28	11.38
MSCI All Country World Index	2.32	6.61	18.66	31.76	8.09	12.19	9.39	8.51

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. Class inception: Investor (22 September 2008); Advisor (1 April 2015). For the period prior to inception, Advisor Class performance is the Investor Class's return for that period ("Linked Performance"). Linked Performance has not been restated to reflect expenses of the Advisor Class and the share class's returns during that period would be different if such expenses were reflected.

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## Region/Country Allocation (% of portfolio securities)

REGION	Fund	ACWI <sup>1</sup>
<b>AMERICAS</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>66.9</b>
United States	56.0	64.2
Canada	1.9	2.7
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>14.7</b>
United Kingdom	10.1	3.3
Denmark	3.8	0.8
Belgium	3.5	0.2
Germany	3.0	2.0
Switzerland	2.8	2.2
<b>PACIFIC BASIN</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>7.6</b>
Japan	5.1	5.0
Hong Kong	3.8	0.5
Singapore	1.0	0.3
<b>EMERGING MARKETS</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>
Taiwan	4.1	1.9
China	3.8	2.9
Brazil	1.1	0.5
<b>MIDDLE EAST</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index. Countries held in the index, but not held in the portfolio, are not listed.

## Team Leadership (Pictured left to right)



### Portfolio Managers

### Years of Investment Experience

James Hamel, CFA (Lead)	27
Jason White, CFA	24
Matthew Kamm, CFA	24
Craig Cepukenas, CFA	35
Jay Warner, CFA	22

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