



# BRISTOL GATE US EQUITY STRATEGY



## ABOUT BRISTOL GATE

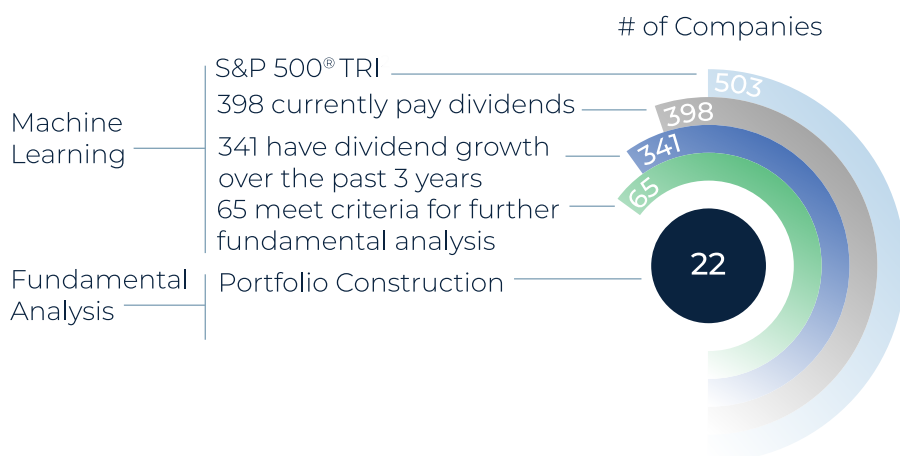
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Bristol Gate is a Toronto-based Investment Manager that combines fundamental analysis with data science to identify companies with the highest predicted dividend growth over the next 12 months. Bristol Gate uses machine learning and other data science techniques in constructing portfolios aimed at reducing risk and improving returns while avoiding emotional bias in the investment process. Bristol Gate was founded in 2006 and is a privately owned company

## OBJECTIVE

The Bristol Gate US Equity Strategy seeks to generate long-term growth of income and capital by investing primarily in a concentrated portfolio of publicly traded equity securities of U.S. companies that pay a dividend.

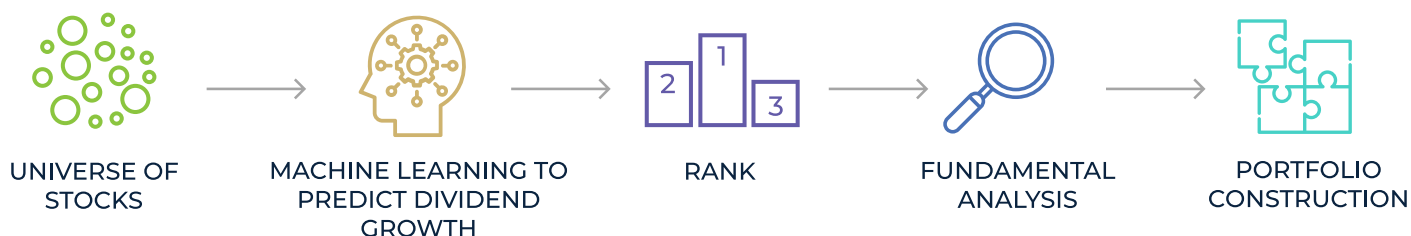
## HOW WE FIND THE BEST DIVIDEND GROWTH



## HIGHLIGHTS

- 22 positions.
- Rebalanced to an equally weighted model, generally quarterly.
- Proprietary methodology uses Machine Learning to predict the highest dividend growers looking forward over the next 12 months.
- The dividend hurdle rate is set annually. If a portfolio company falls below the dividend hurdle rate, a full due-diligence process on the company will be triggered.

## HOW DATA SCIENCE FITS INTO THE INVESTMENT PROCESS



## WHY WE ARE DIFFERENT

- Concentrated portfolio of the highest predicted dividend growers in the S&P 500® TRI
- Truly active management with high Active Share
- Measureable reduction in downside risk

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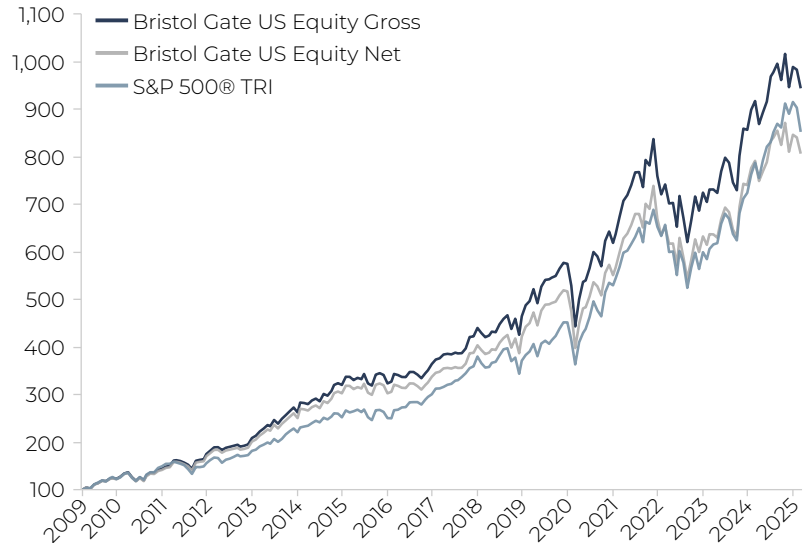
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## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Portfolio		S&P 500® TRI
	Gross	Net	Gross
Number of Securities	22	22	503
Dividend Yield	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%
TTM Dividend Growth	15.2%	15.2%	5.8%
P/E	32.0	32.0	28.0
Forward P/E	25.7	25.7	20.3
Standard Deviation	15.0%	15.0%	14.4%
Sharpe Ratio	0.92	0.84	0.90
Sortino Ratio	1.56	1.41	1.50
Information Ratio	0.14	(0.05)	-
Up Capture	99.5%	97.0%	100%
Down Capture	93.5%	95.8%	100%
Tracking Error	5.10	5.10	-
Portfolio Alpha	1.04	0.04	-
Portfolio Beta	0.98	0.98	-
Active Share	86.7%	86.7%	-

## GROWTH OF \$100,000 [USD]

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The table shown above is used only to illustrate the effects of the compound growth rate and is not intended to reflect future values of the Strategy or returns on investment in the Strategy.

## PERFORMANCE RESULTS [USD] - Inception: May 15, 2009

Trailing Returns	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	15YR	Since Inception		
Bristol Gate US Equity Gross	-4.0%	-0.2%	-0.2%	2.9%	8.4%	16.3%	10.8%	13.9%	15.1%		
Bristol Gate US Equity Net	-4.1%	-0.5%	-0.5%	1.9%	7.3%	15.2%	9.7%	12.8%	14.0%		
S&P 500® Dividend Aristocrats TRI	-1.3%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	5.0%	14.9%	10.1%	12.3%	13.8%		
S&P 500® TRI	-5.6%	-4.3%	-4.3%	8.3%	9.1%	18.6%	12.5%	13.2%	14.4%		
Calendar Returns	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Bristol Gate US Equity Gross	18.7%	5.3%	2.9%	20.3%	0.8%	35.6%	11.4%	30.2%	-18.0%	25.1%	10.1%
Bristol Gate US Equity Net	17.6%	4.3%	1.8%	19.2%	-0.2%	34.3%	10.3%	29.0%	-18.8%	23.9%	9.1%
S&P 500® Dividend Aristocrats TRI	15.8%	0.9%	11.8%	21.7%	-2.7%	28.0%	8.7%	26.0%	-6.2%	8.4%	7.1%
S&P 500® TRI	13.7%	1.4%	12.0%	21.8%	-4.4%	31.5%	18.4%	28.7%	-18.1%	26.3%	25.0%

## TOP 10

McKesson Corp.	5.69%
Visa Inc.	5.35%
Mastercard Inc	5.26%
Marsh & McLennan	5.25%
Cintas Corp.	5.19%
GE Aerospace	5.15%
Sherwin-Williams Company	4.94%
Eli Lilly And Co.	4.83%
UnitedHealth Group Inc.	4.71%
Moody's Corporation	4.57%

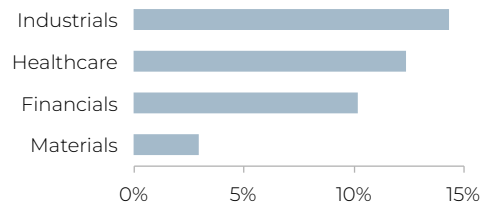
## SECTOR ALLOCATIONS (%)

Financials	24.8%
Health Care	23.5%
Industrials	22.7%
Information Technology	19.5%
Materials	4.9%
Consumer Discretionary	4.5%
Energy	0.0%
Consumer Staples	0.0%
Communication Services	0.0%
Utilities	0.0%
Real Estate	0.0%

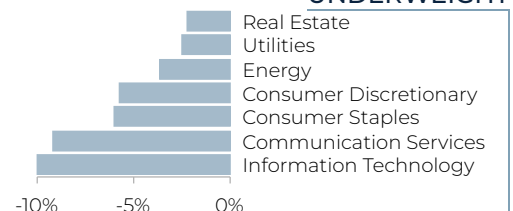
## RELATIVE TO BENCHMARK

Sector Exposure vs. S&P 500® TRI at March 31, 2025

### OVERWEIGHT



### UNDERWEIGHT



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