

Performance and Risk Report

SciBeta United States Multi-Beta Multi-Strategy Four-Factor EW

## **Overview**

#### Index Description as of 31-Dec-2018

The table summarises the index construction principles.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	
Currency	USD	
Number of Constituents	373	
Cap Coverage (Global Universe)	40.3 %	
Regional Universe	United States	
Stock Selection	Multi-Beta Four-Factor EW	
Weighting Scheme	Div. Multi-Strategy (4S)	
Risk Control	None	
TO Control	n/r	
Base date	21-Jun-2002	
Live Date	20-Dec-2013	
Broad CW	SciBeta USA CW	
Bloomberg	SBUXDHMN (USD, NR) SBUXDHMG (USD, RI)	
Index Changes	June 2016 June 2017 June 2018	

Analytics are calculated at 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

The index coverage is calculated at the last rebalancing time.

#### **Index Characteristics**

Universe - United States of America

The United States of America universe consists of equities from the United States of America.

Selection - Multi-Beta (EW) Four-Factor Stock Selection

Multi-Beta stock selection is a form of multi-factor allocation that consists of selecting stocks from the underlying equity universe that correspond to one of the chosen risk factors.

#### Filter - Standard Factor Intensity Filter

The Factor Intensity filter is applied to a stock selection scheme, targeting a given factor tilt, to improve its exposure to other rewarded factors in a multi-factor investment setting.

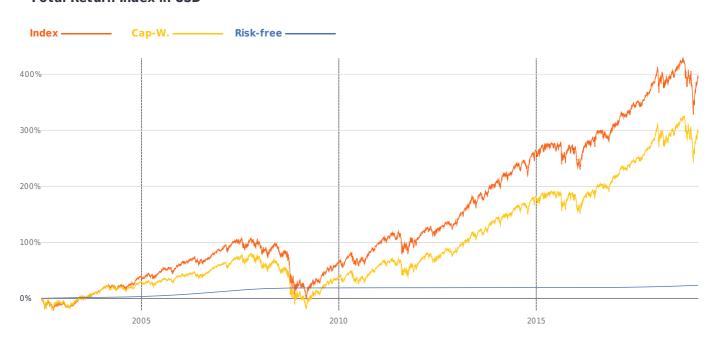
#### Weighting - Diversified Multistrategy

In the Diversified Multistrategy weighting scheme, four Scientific Beta strategies are combined in order to diversify away individual strategies' specific risks and to mix strategies with different sensitivities to market conditions.

#### Risk Control - No Relative Risk Control

No Relative Risk Control indicates that the strategy does not control the relative risk resulting from a stock selection and weighting scheme decision with regard to the cap-weighted reference index.

#### Total Return Index in USD



### **Latest Performances**

Latest Performances refers to basic risk and return information for the most recent part of the strategy's history.

#### Latest Performances (Total Return) as of 31-Jan-2019

The first table shows the index's absolute returns over recent short time periods. The next table reports the index's return, volatility and associated Sharpe ratio since the live date of the index. The last table reports the index's return, volatility and associated Sharpe ratio since the base date of the index. For periods longer than a year, the statistics are annualised, whereas the short-term statistics are calculated based on the period examined without annualisation. The corresponding statistics (calculated over the same dates) of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported, along with those of the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
1-Month Return	8.62 %	8.15 %
3-Month Return	0.70 %	0.34 %
Year-to-Date Return	8.62 %	8.15 %
1-Year Return	-2.58 %	-2.08 %
3-Year Return	12.25 %	14.07 %
5-Year Return	10.15 %	10.83 %

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated at 31-Jan-2019 and updated monthly.

Live	Index	Broad CW
Return	9.77 %	10.20 %
Volatility	12.17 %	13.25 %
Sharpe ratio	0.75	0.72

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Since base date	Index	Broad CW
Return	10.04 %	8.60 %
Volatility	17.41 %	18.61 %
Sharpe ratio	0.50	0.39

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#### Latest Performances (Net Return) as of 31-Jan-2019

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SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
1-Month Return	8.59 %	8.10 %
3-Month Return	0.54 %	0.18 %
Year-to-Date Return	8.59 %	8.10 %
1-Year Return	-3.14 %	-2.66 %
3-Year Return	11.57 %	13.37 %
5-Year Return	9.49 %	10.15 %

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Live	Index	Broad CW
Return	9.11 %	9.52 %
Volatility	12.17 %	13.25 %
Sharpe ratio	0.69	0.67

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Since base date	Index	Broad CW
Return	9.29 %	7.89 %
Volatility	17.41 %	18.61 %
Sharpe ratio	0.46	0.36

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## **Latest Relative Performances**

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## **Latest Relative Performances (Total Return)** as of 31-Jan-2019

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SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	/ Broad CW
1-Month Relative Return	0.47 %
3-Month Relative Return	0.36 %
Year-to-Date Relative Return	0.47 %
1-Year Relative Return	-0.50 %
3-Year Relative Return	-1.82 %
5-Year Relative Return	-0.68 %

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Live	/ Broad CW
Relative Return	-0.43 %
Tracking-Error	2.91 %
Information ratio	n/r

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Since base date	/ Broad CW
Relative Return	1.44 %
Tracking-Error	3.40 %
Information ratio	0.42

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1-Month Relative Return	0.48 %
3-Month Relative Return	0.36 %
Year-to-Date Relative Return	0.48 %
1-Year Relative Return	-0.48 %
3-Year Relative Return	-1.80 %
5-Year Relative Return	-0.66 %

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Live	/ Broad CW
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## **Annual Performances**

Annual Performances refers to calendar year returns.

#### Annual Performances (Total Return) as of 31-Jan-2019

The table shows the index's annual returns over the last 10 calendar years. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported, along with those of the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Year 2019 (YTD)	8.62 %	8.15 %
Year 2018	-6.36 %	-4.30 %
Year 2017	19.37 %	21.95 %
Year 2016	11.01 %	11.48 %
Year 2015	1.58 %	1.09 %
Year 2014	16.16 %	13.77 %
Year 2013	31.88 %	32.29 %
Year 2012	14.72 %	15.85 %
Year 2011	3.93 %	1.60 %
Year 2010	20.97 %	15.38 %

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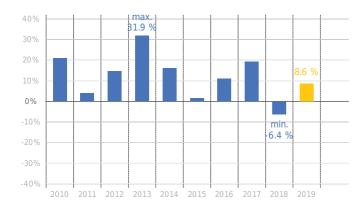
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Year 2019 (YTD)	8.59 %	8.10 %
Year 2018	-6.90 %	-4.85 %
Year 2017	18.69 %	21.22 %
Year 2016	10.28 %	10.74 %
Year 2015	0.97 %	0.46 %
Year 2014	15.44 %	13.07 %
Year 2013	30.96 %	31.36 %
Year 2012	13.67 %	14.92 %
Year 2011	3.16 %	0.87 %
Year 2010	20.14 %	14.66 %

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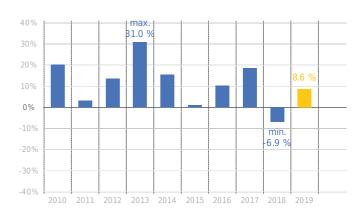
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## **Annual Relative Performances**

Annual Performances refers to calendar year returns.

#### Annual Relative Performances (Total Return) as of 31-Jan-2019

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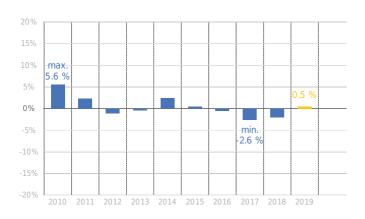
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Year 2018	-2.07 %
Year 2017	-2.58 %
Year 2016	-0.46 %
Year 2015	0.49 %
Year 2014	2.39 %
Year 2013	-0.41 %
Year 2012	-1.13 %
Year 2011	2.33 %
Year 2010	5.59 %

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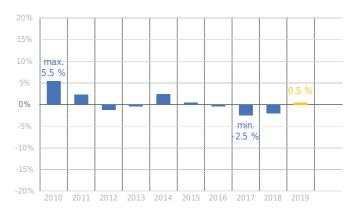
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Year 2019 (YTD)	0.48 %
Year 2018	-2.04 %
Year 2017	-2.53 %
Year 2016	-0.46 %
Year 2015	0.51 %
Year 2014	2.38 %
Year 2013	-0.40 %
Year 2012	-1.26 %
Year 2011	2.28 %
Year 2010	5.48 %

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# **Performance Analysis**

Performance and Risk Characteristics of equity portfolios allow for the analysis of the reward, the amount of risk and the reward per unit of risk obtained by investors. These characteristics can be calculated in absolute terms, or in relative terms (i.e. in terms of the difference in risks and returns against a cap-weighted reference index).

#### Performance and Risk Characteristics as of 31-Jan-2019

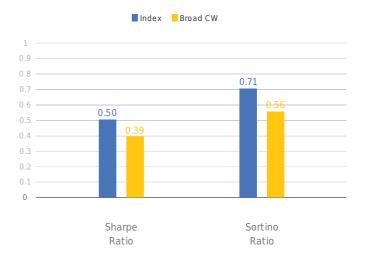
The table shows summary statistics of the index's absolute performance and risk over the selected analysis period. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported, along with those of the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Return	10.04 %	8.60 %
Volatility	17.41 %	18.61 %
Sharpe ratio	0.50	0.39
Sortino ratio	0.71	0.56
Max Drawdown	51.9 %	54.6 %

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#### Performance and Risk Characteristics as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure shows the index's Sharpe Ratio and Sortino Ratio over the selected analysis period. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.



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#### Relative Performance and Risk as of 31-Jan-2019

The table shows summary statistics of the index's relative performance and relative risk with regard to its Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) over the selected analysis period, along with those to its Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	/ Broad CW
Relative Return Over CW	1.44 %
Tracking-Error	3.40 %
Information Ratio	0.42
Treynor Ratio	0.10
Max Relative Drawdown	7.9 %

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#### Relative Performance and Risk as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure shows the index's Information Ratio and Treynor Ratio with regard to its Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) respectively over the selected analysis period.



The statistics are based on daily total returns (with dividends reinvested). On periods longer than a year, statistics are annualised.

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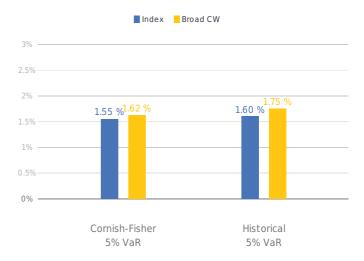
The table shows summary statistics of the index's absolute performance and risk over the selected analysis period. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Cornish-Fisher 5% VaR	1.55 %	1.62 %
Historical 5% VaR	1.60 %	1.75 %
Max Drawdown	51.9 %	54.6 %
Time Under Water	874	1 164

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#### Risk Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure shows the index's Cornish-Fisher Value-at-Risk and Historical Value-at-Risk over the selected analysis period. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.



All statistics are annualised and performance ratios that involve the average returns are based on the geometric average, which reliably reflects multiple holding period returns for investors. The risk-free rates used are defined according to the regional universe of the index. The Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) is the cap-weighted index whose index constituents cover all stocks in the geographic region of the Scientific Beta index being analysed.

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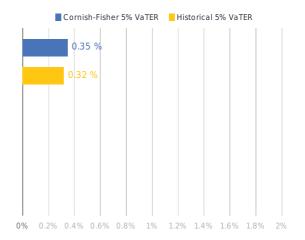
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Cornish-Fisher 5% VaTER	0.35 %
Historical 5% VaTER	0.32 %
Max Relative Drawdown	7.9 %
Rel. Time Under Water	679
Extreme Relative Return (5%)	-2.98 %
Extreme Tracking-Error (95%)	5.38 %
Average Tracking-Error	3.08 %

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# **Robustness Analysis**

Alternative weighting schemes may expose an investor to a risk of underperforming respective cap-weighted reference indices over short investment horizons. Moreover, it seems reasonable to assume that certain market conditions may influence the capacity of a given weighting scheme to provide outperformance over the cap-weighted reference index.

The Scientific Beta robustness analysis provides insights on the conditions of outperformance or underperformance of Scientific Beta indices with regard to their cap-weighted reference index.

#### Robustness Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

For long-only indices, the table shows summary statistics of the index's relative performance and relative risk with respect to its cap-weighted reference index, as well as the 1Y, 3Y and 5Y Probabilities of Outperformance over the last 10 years, and for the corresponding US Long-Term over the last 40 years. For long/short indices, the table shows the 1Y, 3Y and 5Y Probabilities of OutPerformance over the risk-free rate over the last 10 years.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	LT-US
Excess Return	0.19 %	2.32 %
Tracking-Error	2.91 %	4.65 %
Information Ratio	0.06	0.50
Prob. of Outperf. (1 year)	56.0 %	65.7 %
Prob. of Outperf. (3 years)	70.5 %	76.9 %
Prob. of Outperf. (5 years)	74.8 %	82.8 %
End of Period	31-Jan-2019	31-Dec-2017
Period	10 years	40 years

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#### Robustness Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure, based on a rolling window analysis, shows the 1, 3, and 5 year Probability of Outperformance (over the risk-free rate for long/short indices) with respect to the cap-weighted reference index.



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# **Top Holdings**

Top Holdings refers to the information on the largest companies in the strategy portfolio ordered by their weights.

#### Top Holdings as of 21-Dec-2018

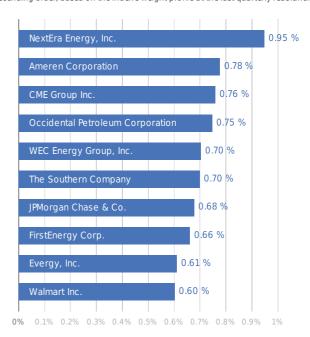
The table lists the weights of the ten largest constituents of the index, in descending order, based on the index's weight profile at the last quarterly rebalancing.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Country	Weight
NextEra Energy, Inc.	US	0.95 %
Ameren Corporation	US	0.78 %
CME Group Inc.	US	0.76 %
Occidental Petroleum Corporation	US	0.75 %
WEC Energy Group, Inc.	US	0.70 %
The Southern Company	US	0.70 %
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	US	0.68 %
FirstEnergy Corp.	US	0.66 %
Evergy, Inc.	US	0.61 %
Walmart Inc.	US	0.60 %

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#### Top Holdings as of 21-Dec-2018

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# **Weight Profile Analysis**

Weight Profile Analysis refers to the allocation of the investment weights to the constituents in the strategy.

#### Index Weight Concentration as of 31-Dec-2018

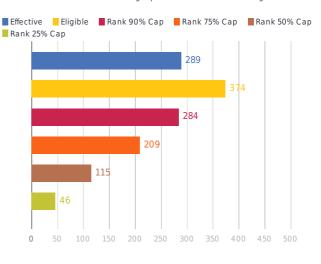
The table shows the index concentration level under various portfolio concentration measures based on the index's weight profile at the last rebalancing time. The quarterly calculated active share expresses the overall deviation of the index vis-à-vis its Broad cap-weighted reference, calculated as half of the sum of the absolute deviations. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported, along with those of the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Effective Number of Constituents	289	120
Number of Eligible Constituents	374	496
Nb. Stocks Cumul. to 90% Cap	284	293
Nb. Stocks Cumul. to 75% Cap	209	149
Nb. Stocks Cumul. to 50% Cap	115	51
Nb. Stocks Cumul. to 25% Cap	46	15
Deconcentration ratio	77.3 %	24.3 %
Active Share	56.53 %	0.00 %
Active Share (average)	54.17 %	0.00 %

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## **Multi-Beta Allocation**

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#### Multi-Beta Allocation as of 21-Dec-2018

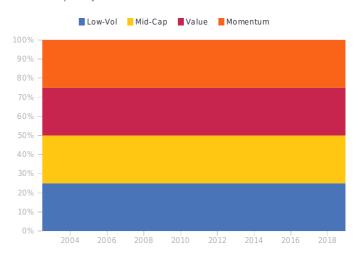
The Multi-Beta Allocation shows the average weight allocated to the underlying indices since the base date and at the latest quarterly review. The performance of the underlying index over the last quarter is also displayed.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Latest	Average
SciBeta USA LVol MStrat	25.0 %	25.0 %
SciBeta USA MCap MStrat	25.0 %	25.0 %
SciBeta USA Val MStrat	25.0 %	25.0 %
SciBeta USA HMom MStrat	25.0 %	25.0 %

Allocations are reported at 21-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Multi-Beta Allocation as of 21-Dec-2018

The Multi-Beta Allocation graph exhibits the weight allocated to the underlying indices at the latest quarterly review.



# **Carbon Metrics**

The Carbon Metrics analytics report the greenhouse gas emissions associated with an investment in the index.

#### Carbon Metrics as of 31-Dec-2018

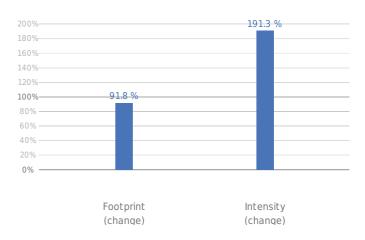
The table shows the carbon metrics of the index at the last quarterly rebalancing. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F- EW	Index	Broad CW	Change
Carbon Footprint	767 453	400 056	91.8 %
Carbon Intensity	517.7	177.8	191.3 %

Analytics are calculated at 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Carbon Metrics as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the change in carbon metrics of the index with respect to the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) at the last quarterly rebalancing.



# **CAPM Analysis**

The Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) theoretically establishes the relationship between the expected excess return of an equity portfolio and its systematic risk as measured by its exposure to market risk. In CAPM analysis, the equity portfolio excess returns are regressed against market excess returns in order to estimate the exposure to market risk, and that exposure is then used to decompose the returns into reward for being exposed to the equity market and portfolio-specific returns.

#### CAPM Analysis as of 31-Dec-2018

The table shows the coefficient estimates and R-squared of the regression of the index's excess returns (over the risk-free rate) using the CAPM single factor model over the selected analysis period. Based on the factor exposure, the excess returns attributed to each factor are reported in the last column. The t-statistics associated with the coefficient estimates are also reported.

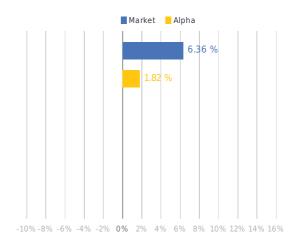
SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Coefficient	t-stat	Perf.
Alpha	1.69 %	2.2	1.82 %
Market	0.94	147.4	6.36 %
r²	0.96		

Analytics are based on weekly **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly with EOQ values.

Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### CAPM Performance Attribution as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the attribution of the index's excess return (over the risk-free rate) to market factor and unexplained excess returns (Alpha).



The Market factor is the weekly return of the cap-weighted index of all stocks that constitute the index portfolio. The risk-free rates used are defined according to the regional universe of the index.

# Fama-French Factor Analysis

The Fama-French factor model extends the CAPM model by adding the small size factor and the value factor. In Fama-French factor analysis, we explain the equity portfolio performance via linear regression using all three risk factors to better understand the potential factor or investment style biases as well as to form a clear idea of its risk-adjusted performance.

#### Fama-French Factor Analysis as of 31-Dec-2018

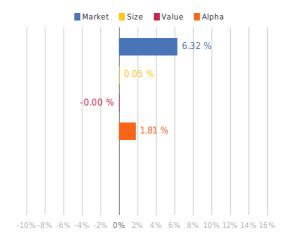
The table shows the coefficient estimates and R-squared of the regression of index's excess returns (over the risk-free rate) using the Fama French three-factor model over the selected analysis period. Based on the factor exposure, the excess returns attributed to each factor are reported in the last column. The t-statistics associated with the coefficient estimates are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Coefficient	t-stat	Perf.
Alpha	1.66 %	2.2	1.81 %
Market factor	0.93	149.3	6.32 %
Size (SMB) factor	0.09	7.4	0.05 %
Value (HML) factor	-0.01	-0.4	-0.00 %
r²	0.96		

Analytics are based on weekly **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly with EOQ values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Fama-French Factor Performance Attribution as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays attribution of the index's excess return (over the risk-free rate) to market factor, HML factor, SMB factor, and unexplained excess returns (Alpha).



The Market factor is the excess return series of the cap-weighted index of all stocks that constitute the index portfolio over the risk-free rate. SMB factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long small-cap stocks and short the top 30% stocks ranked by market capitalisation (large market-cap stocks). HML factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long for the top 30% stocks (value stocks) and short for the bottom 30% stocks (growth stocks) sorted on book-to-market value in descending order. The SMB and HML factors are market beta neutralised ex-post on a quarterly basis. The risk-free rates used are defined according to the regional universe of the strategy.

# **Carhart Factor Analysis**

Carhart (1997) proposes an extended four-factor model incorporating the momentum factor. In Carhart four factor analysis, we explain the equity portfolio performance via linear regression using four risk factors to better understand the potential factor or investment style biases as well as to form a clear idea of its risk-adjusted performance.

#### Carhart Factor Analysis as of 31-Dec-2018

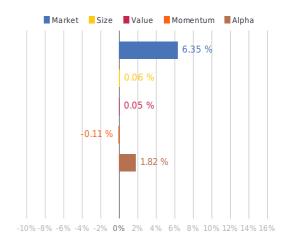
The table shows the coefficient estimates and r-square of the regression of the strategy's excess returns (over the risk-free rate) using the Carhart four-factor model over the selected analysis period. Based on the factor exposure, the excess returns attributed to each factor are reported in the last column. The t-statistics associated with the coefficient estimates are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Coefficient	t-stat	Perf.
Alpha	1.59 %	2.2	1.82 %
Market factor	0.94	158.4	6.35 %
Size (SMB) factor	0.11	9.3	0.06 %
Value (HML) factor	0.07	4.0	0.05 %
Momentum (MOM) factor	0.11	10.3	-0.11 %
r²	0.97		

Analytics are based on weekly **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly with EOQ values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Carhart Factor Performance Attribution as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the attribution of the index's excess return (over the risk-free rate) to market factor, HML factor, SMB factor, MOM factor, and unexplained excess returns (Alpha)



The Market factor is the excess return series of the cap-weighted index of all stocks that constitute the index portfolio over the risk-free rate. SMB factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long small-cap stocks and short for the top 30% stocks ranked by market capitalisation (large market-cap stocks). HML factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long for the top 30% stocks (value stocks) and short for the bottom 30% stocks (growth stocks) sorted on book-to-market value in descending order. The MOM factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long the winner stocks and short the loser stocks. The winner stocks (inversely the loser stocks) are defined as the top 30% (inversely the bottom 30%) of stocks, sorted on the past 52 weeks' compounded returns excluding the most recent month, in descending order. The SMB, HML and MOM factors are market beta neutralised ex-post on a quarterly basis. The risk-free rates used are defined according to the regional universe of the index.

## **Sector Performance Attribution**

#### Sector Performance Attribution as of 31-Jan-2019

The table shows the results of Menchero Multi-period Attribution, in which the index's outperformance with regard to its cap-weighted reference index is broken down into stock effect, sector effect, and interaction effect. The analysis is based on the selected

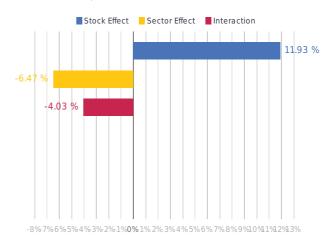
SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Ref	Excess	Stock	Sector	Inter
Energy	8.13 %	9.74 %	-1.61 %	0.89 %	1.93 %	-0.11 %
Basic Materials	4.30 %	3.21 %	1.09 %	0.86 %	-0.42 %	-0.03 %
Industrials	11.00 %	11.70 %	-0.70 %	3.06 %	-0.39 %	-0.28 %
Cyclical Consumer	13.13 %	11.84 %	1.30 %	-3.61 %	-0.42 %	-0.20 %
Non-Cyclical Consumer	10.56 %	9.51 %	1.04 %	1.29 %	0.13 %	-0.33 %
Financials	21.30 %	18.57 %	2.72 %	3.12 %	1.70 %	-1.45 %
Healthcare	10.81 %	11.97 %	-1.16 %	5.59 %	0.87 %	-0.99 %
Technology	9.53 %	17.07 %	-7.54 %	-0.72 %	-5.80 %	0.02 %
Telecoms	1.89 %	3.21 %	-1.32 %	1.33 %	0.44 %	-0.84 %
Utilities	9.36 %	3.18 %	6.18 %	0.11 %	-4.52 %	0.17 %
Total				11.93 %	-6.47 %	-4.03 %

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested). Analytics are calculated from base date to 31-Jan-2019.

Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Sector Performance Attribution as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure displays the breakdown of the index's outperformance with regard to its cap-weighted reference index into returns attributed to stock effect, sector effect, and interaction effect from the Menchero Multi-period Attribution model. The analysis is based on the selected period.



Please see Menchero Multi-period Attribution in the glossary for a detailed explanation of the attribution model. The sector classification used is the Thomson Reuters Business Classification. The statistics of historical performance are annualised.

# **Multi-Beta Component Performances**

The Component Performances analytic shows the allocation and the performance of the components of the multi-beta index at the latest completed calendar quarter in order to provide an in-depth analysis of the quarterly performance.

This analytic is updated at the end of calendar quarter and shows the quarterly performance, year-to-date performance, live performance and historical performance of the components.

#### Multi-Beta Component Performances as of 31-Dec-2018

The table shows the weight allocated to the underlying indices at the penultimate rebalancing. For each component index, the return over the last quarter, the year-to-date return, the live performance and the historical performance are reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Allocation	Q Return	YTD Return	Live Perf	Hist. Perf
SciBeta USA LVol MStrat	25.0 %	-9.08 %	-1.88 %	12.75 %	9.78 %
SciBeta USA MCap MStrat	25.0 %	-13.88 %	-6.87 %	10.93 %	9.80 %
SciBeta USA Val MStrat	25.0 %	-14.41 %	-9.42 %	10.83 %	9.65 %
SciBeta USA HMom MStrat	25.0 %	-15.80 %	-7.37 %	11.15 %	8.78 %

Allocations are reported at 21-Sep-2018.

Quarterly returns are calculated between 28-Sep-2018 and 31-Dec-2018. YTD returns are calculated between 29-Dec-2017 and 31-Dec-2018.

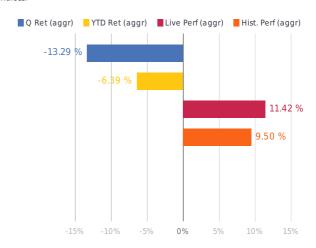
Live performances are calculated between Live date (21-Dec-2012) and 31-Dec-2018.

Historical performances are calculated between Base date (21-Jun-2002) and 31-Dec-2018.

Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Multi-Beta Component Performances as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the aggregated returns and performance of the component indices.



#### Multi-Beta Component Performances as of 31-Dec-2018

The table shows the weight allocated to the underlying indices at the penultimate rebalancing. For each component index, the relative return over the last quarter, the year-to-date relative return, the live relative performance and the historical relative performance are reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Allocation	Q RRet	YT D RRet	Live RPerf	Hist. RPerf
SciBeta USA LVol MStrat	25.0 %	4.44 %	2.42 %	0.84 %	1.64 %
SciBeta USA MCap MStrat	25.0 %	-0.35 %	-2.57 %	-0.98 %	1.66 %
SciBeta USA Val MStrat	25.0 %	-0.89 %	-5.13 %	-1.08 %	1.52 %
SciBeta USA HMom MStrat	25.0 %	-2.27 %	-3.08 %	-0.76 %	0.65 %

Allocations are reported at 21-Sep-2018.

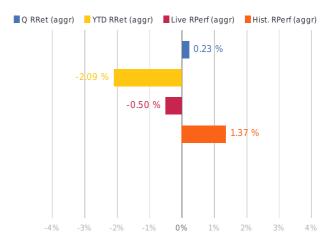
Quarterly relative returns are calculated between 28-Sep-2018 and 31-Dec-2018. YTD relative returns are calculated between 29-Dec-2017 and 31-Dec-2018. Live relative performances are calculated between Live date (21-Dec-2012) and 31-Dec-2018.

 ${\it Historical\ relative\ performances\ are\ calculated\ between\ Base\ date\ (21-Jun-2002)\ and\ 31-Dec-2018.}$ 

Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Multi-Beta Component Performances as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the aggregated relative returns and performance of the component indices.



## **Index Diversification**

The Diversification analytics measure the benefits of portfolio diversification after adjusting for the effect of factor exposures.

#### Diversification as of 31-Dec-2018

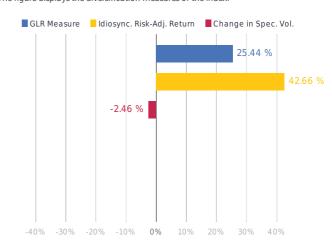
The table shows the average index concentration level and the low correlation objective measure (GLR) based on historical returns and weights over the period. The GLR measure is the ratio of the variance of a portfolio's returns to the weighted average of the variance of its constituents' returns. The Idiosyncratic Risk-Adjusted Return is calculated as the ratio of unexplained return to the standard deviation of the residuals in the risk factor exposure (seven factor) regression. The Change in Specific Volatility is calculated as the difference in volatility of the strategy and its Multi-factor Benchmark, a synthetic portfolio levered to match returns of the respective strategy that contains the same magnitude of systematic risk.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Effective Number of Constituents (avera	322.6	133.8
GLR Measure	25.4 %	29.6 %
Idiosyncratic Risk-Adj. Return	0.43	n/r
Change in Specific Volatility	-2.46 %	n/r

Analytics are calculated at 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Diversification as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the diversification measures of the index.



## **Index Fundamentals**

Fundamental attributes refers to the fundamental aggregate characteristics of the index.

#### Index Fundamentals as of 31-Dec-2018

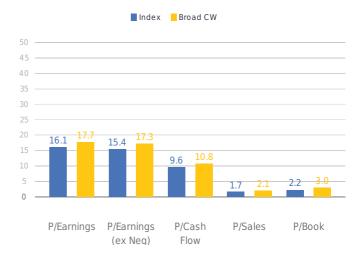
The table shows the index's fundamental attributes based on the index's weight profile at the last rebalancing time. The corresponding statistics of the Broad capweighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Price / Earnings	16.13	17.69
Price / Earnings (ex Neg)	15.43	17.29
Price / Cash Flow	9.57	10.84
Price / Sales	1.65	2.10
Price / Book Value	2.24	2.99
Gross Profitability	24.51 %	26.51 %
Total Asset Growth	7.62 %	14.71 %
Dividend Yield	2.03 %	1.96 %

Analytics are calculated at 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Index Fundamentals as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the index's fundamental attributes based on the index's weight profile at the last rebalancing time. The corresponding statistics of the Broad capweighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.



The Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) is the cap-weighted index whose constituents cover all stocks in the geographic region of the Scientific Beta index being analysed.

# **Extreme Risk Analysis**

The Extreme Risk Analytics calculate two measures of downside risk – Value-at-Risk and Conditional Value-at-Risk – aggregated over a certain time period together with the corresponding risk-adjusted returns and also provide monthly forecasts of the two risk measures based on a conditional time-series model that takes into account the clustering of volatility and assumes the conditional return distribution is fat-tailed.

#### Extreme Risk Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

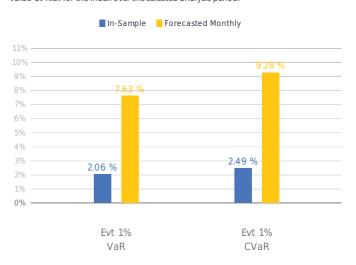
The table shows summary statistics of the index's extreme risk over the selected analysis period. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Return	10.04 %	8.60 %
EVT 1% VaR	2.06 %	2.27 %
EVT 1% CVaR	2.49 %	2.77 %
Ret to EVT 1% VaR ratio	0.26	0.20
Ret to EVT 1% CVaR ratio	0.22	0.16
For. Monthly EVT 1% VaR	7.63 %	9.47 %
For. Monthly EVT 1% CVaR	9.28 %	11.52 %

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Extreme Risk Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure shows the in-sample and forecasted monthly Value-at-Risk and Conditional Value-at-Risk for the index over the selected analysis period.



Broad CW is the cap-weighted index whose constituents cover all stocks in the geographic region of the Scientific Beta index being analysed.

#### Extreme Relative Risk Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

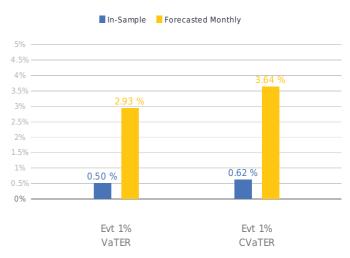
The table shows summary statistics of the index's extreme relative risk with regard to its Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) over the selected analysis period.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	/ Broad CW
Excess Return	1.44 %
EVT 1% VaTER	0.50 %
EVT 1% CVaTER	0.62 %
Ret to EVT 1% VaTER ratio	0.18
Ret to EVT 1% CVaTER ratio	0.14
For. Monthly EVT 1% VaTER	2.93 %
For. Monthly EVT 1% CVaTER	3.64 %

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Extreme Relative Risk Analysis as of 31-Jan-2019

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Broad CW is the cap-weighted index whose constituents cover all stocks in the geographic region of the Scientific Beta index being analysed.

# **Risk Factor Exposure**

The Risk Factor Exposure analysis assesses the exposure of a given strategy to a set of seven factors: Market factor, Size factor, Value factor, Momentum factor, Volatility factor, Profitability factor and Investment factor.

#### Risk Factor Exposure as of 31-Dec-2018

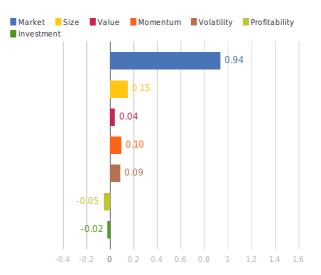
The table shows the coefficient estimates and r-square of the regression of the strategy's excess returns (over the risk-free rate) using the seven-factor model over the selected analysis period. The t-statistics associated with the coefficient estimates are also reported.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Coefficient	t-stat
Unexplained	1.17 %	1.7
Market factor	0.94	164.5
Size (SMB) factor	0.15	11.9
Value (HML) factor	0.04	1.8
Momentum (MOM) factor	0.10	8.7
Volatility factor	0.09	7.9
Profitability factor	-0.05	-2.7
Investment factor	-0.02	-1.0
Factor Intensity	0.30	
r²	0.97	

Analytics are based on weekly **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly with EOQ values. Performances are annualised for periods longer than a year.

#### Risk Factor Exposure as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the exposure of the index's excess return (over the risk-free rate) to Market factor, SMB factor, HML factor, MOM factor, VOL factor, PRO factor and INV factor.



The Market factor is the excess return series of the cap-weighted index of all stocks that constitute the index portfolio over the risk-free rate. SMB factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long small-cap stocks and short for the top 30% stocks ranked by market capitalisation (large market-cap stocks). HML factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long for the top 30% stocks (value stocks) and short for the bottom 30% stocks (growth stocks) sorted on book-to-market value in descending order. The MOM factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long the winner stocks and short the loser stocks. The winner stocks (inversely the loser stocks) are defined as the top 30% (inversely the bottom 30%) of stocks, sorted on the past 52 weeks' compounded returns excluding the most recent month, in descending order. The VOL factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long the bottom 30% stocks (low volatility stocks) and short the top 30% stocks (high volatility stocks) sorted on past volatility in descending order. The PRO factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long the top 30% stocks (high profitability stocks) and short the bottom 30% stocks (low profitability stocks) sorted on gross profitability in descending order. The INV factor is the return series of an equal-weighted portfolio that is long the bottom 30% stocks (low investment stocks) and short the top 30% stocks (high investment stocks) sorted on two year asset growth in descending order. The SMB, HML, MOM, VOL, PRO and INV factors are market beta neutralised ex-post on a quarterly basis. The risk-free rates used are defined according to the regional universe of the index.

## **Relative Factor Score**

Relative Factor Score identifies the exposure of an index to the academically consensual factors such as Size, Value, Momentum, Volatility, Profitability and Investment.

#### Relative Factor Score as of 31-Dec-2018

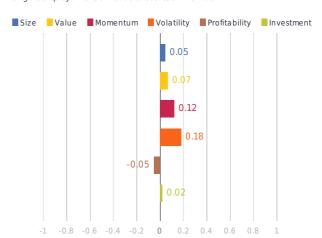
The table shows the relative factor score and relative score intensity of the strategy index, beta cap-weighted index and the broad cap-weighted index.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Size (SMB) factor	0.05	-0.57
Value (HML) factor	0.07	-0.06
Momentum (MOM) factor	0.12	0.01
Volatility factor	0.18	0.16
Profitability factor	-0.05	0.06
Investment factor	0.02	-0.02
Relative Score Intensity	0.39	-0.41

Analytics are based on quarterly weights. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly with EOQ values.

#### Relative Factor Score as of 31-Dec-2018

The figure displays the relative factor scores of the index.



## **Bull / Bear Market Performances**

Bull / Bear Market Performances refer to return and risk in phases with positive/negative market returns.

#### Bull / Bear Market Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns. The table shows general statistics of the index's absolute performance and risk in periods of bull and bear market regimes and in periods of extreme bull and extreme bear market regimes.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Ext Bull Market	Bull Market	Bear Market	Ext Bear Market
Return	64.10 %	39.32 %	-32.96 %	-48.08 %
Volatility	13.69 %	13.54 %	23.28 %	29.31 %
Sharpe ratio	4.60	2.81	n/r	n/r

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised.

#### Bull / Bear Market Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure displays the index's average, minimum, and maximum annualised absolute returns in quarters characterised by bull and bear market regimes and by extreme bull and extreme bear market regimes. The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns.



The returns and volatility are annualised. The risk-free rate used is defined according to the regional universe of the index.

#### Bull / Bear Market Rel. Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns. The table shows general statistics of the index's relative performance and relative risk (with respect to its cap-weighted reference index) in the periods of bull and bear market regimes respectively.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Ext Bull Market	Bull Market	Bear Market	Ext Bear Market
Relative Return	-6.13 %	-0.54 %	3.20 %	4.02 %
Tracking-Error	3.15 %	3.07 %	3.99 %	4.56 %
Information Ratio	n/r	n/r	0.80	0.88

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised.

#### Bull / Bear Market Rel. Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure displays the index's average, minimum and maximum annualised relative returns (with respect to its cap-weighted reference index) in quarters characterised by bull and bear market regimes, respectively. The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns.



The statistics are based on daily total returns (with dividends reinvested). The relative returns and tracking error are annualised. The risk-free rate used is defined according to the regional universe of the index.

# **High / Low Vol Regime Performances**

High / Low Volatility Regime Performances indicate performance statistics in high/low volatility regimes.

#### High / Low Vol Regime Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns. The table shows general statistics of the index's absolute performance and risk in periods of high and low volatility market regimes and in periods of extreme high and low volatility market regimes.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Ext High Vol Regime	High Vol Regime	Low Vol Regime	Ext Low Vol Regime
Annualized Return	-17.57 %	-2.98 %	24.67 %	27.07 %
Volatility	29.12 %	22.96 %	8.98 %	8.28 %
Sharpe ratio	n/r	n/r	2.60	3.08

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised.

#### High / Low Vol Regime Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure displays the index's average, minimum, and maximum quarterly absolute returns in quarters characterised by high and low volatility market regimes and by extreme high and low volatility market regimes. The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns.



The returns and volatility are annualised. The risk-free rate used is defined according to the regional universe of the index.

#### High / Low Vol Regime Rel. Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns. The table shows general statistics of the index's relative performance and relative risk (with respect to its cap-weighted reference index) in the periods of high and low volatility market regimes respectively.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Ext High Vol Regime	High Vol Regime	Low Vol Regime	Ext Low Vol Regime
Annualized Relative Return	1.42 %	2.28 %	0.32 %	-0.83 %
Tracking-Error	4.81 %	3.97 %	2.72 %	2.65 %
Information Ratio	0.30	0.57	0.12	n/r

Analytics are based on daily **total** returns (dividends reinvested) in **USD**. Analytics are calculated from base date (21-Jun-2002) to 31-Jan-2019. Analytics are updated monthly with EOM values. Performances are annualised.

#### High / Low Vol Regime Rel. Performances as of 31-Jan-2019

The figure displays the index's average, minimum and maximum quarterly relative returns (with respect to its cap-weighted reference index) in quarters characterised by high and low volatility market regimes, respectively. The analysis is based on the complete history of index returns.



The statistics are based on daily total returns (with dividends reinvested). The relative returns and tracking error are annualised. The risk-free rate used is defined according to the regional universe of the index.

# **Turnover & Capacity**

Turnover and capacity analysis addresses the main implementation issues of Scientific Beta indices.

#### Turnover & Capacity as of 31-Dec-2018

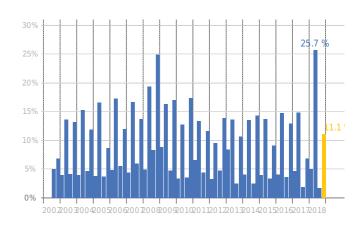
The table shows the turnover level of the index in % and the capacity of the index (long-only indices) as measured by the average market capitalisations, in M\$. The corresponding statistics of the Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) are also reported, along with those of the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) in case of univaried stock selection. \*For long/short indices, the table also reports the average capacity and latest capacity in M\$ of the long branch and the short branch of the unleveraged branch indices. \*For Market Beta Adjusted (Overlay) indices, the reported investability measures do not take into account the cost of replication of the cap-weighted index using futures overlay.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Index	Broad CW
Turnover (annualised)	37.0 %	3.6 %
Average Capacity (M\$)	25 114	102 835
Latest Capacity (M\$)	43 085	171 083

Analytics are calculated at 31-Dec-2018. Analytics are updated quarterly.

#### Turnover History as of 31-Dec-2018

The chart below shows the turnover history of the index since inception on a quarterly basis.



In case of univaried stock selection, the Beta cap-weighted reference index (Beta CW) is the cap-weighted index whose constituents are drawn from the same stock selection as that of the Scientific Beta index being analysed. The Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW) is the cap-weighted index whose constituents cover all stocks in the geographic region of the Scientific Beta index being analysed.

# **Sector Allocation**

Sector Allocation refers to the separation of investment weights of the strategy portfolio into various sectors.

#### Sector Allocation as of 31-Dec-2018

The table shows industry sector exposures (in weight percentage) of the index, based on the index's weight profile at the last rebalancing time.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Weight
Energy	6.8 %
Basic Materials	3.0 %
Industrials	11.3 %
Cyclical Consumer	13.7 %
Non-Cyclical Consumer	8.1 %
Financials	19.0 %
Healthcare	11.5 %
Technology	12.6 %
Telecoms	1.2 %
Utilities	12.7 %

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The sector classification used is the Thomson Reuters Business Classification.

#### Sector Allocation as of 31-Dec-2018

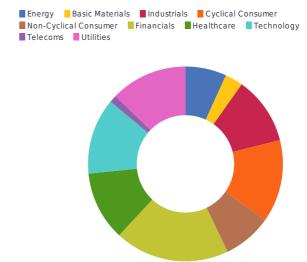
The table shows the differences in aggregated sector weights of the index with regard to its Broad cap-weighted reference index (Broad CW), based on the index's weight profile at the last rebalancing time.

SciBeta USA MBeta MStrat 4F-EW	Excess Weight
Energy	1.3 %
Basic Materials	0.7 %
Industrials	1.7 %
Cyclical Consumer	0.6 %
Non-Cyclical Consumer	0.6 %
Financials	3.1 %
Healthcare	-4.3 %
Technology	-12.1 %
Telecoms	-1.1 %
Utilities	9.5 %

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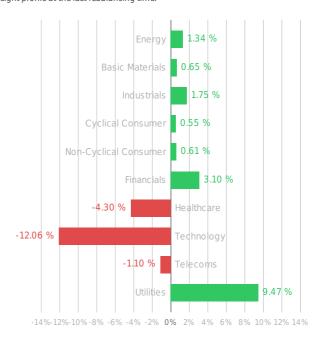
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