

# BARON TECHNOLOGY FUND®



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Institutional Shares (BTECX)

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## Portfolio Manager

Michael Lippert joined Baron Capital in 2001 as a research analyst and was named portfolio manager of Baron Opportunity Fund in 2006 and Baron Technology Fund in 2021. In 2020, he was named head of technology research. He has 23 years of research experience.

Ashim Mehra joined Baron Capital in 2011 as a research analyst and was named portfolio manager of Baron Technology Fund in 2021. He has 25 years of research experience.

## Investment Strategy

The Fund holds companies of any market capitalization that the portfolio managers believe have durable growth potential from the development, advancement, and/or use of technology. The Fund has exposure to U.S. securities but may have up to 35% in non-U.S. securities. Non-diversified.

Value	Blend	Growth	
			Large
			Medium
			Small

## Portfolio Facts and Characteristics

Inception Date	December 31, 2021
Net Assets	\$25.22 million
# of Issuers / % of Net Assets	41 / 97.5%
Turnover (2 Year)	23.37%
Active Share	62.7%
Median Market Cap <sup>2</sup>	\$54.01 billion
Weighted Average Market Cap <sup>2</sup>	\$930.74 billion

## As of FYE 12/31/2023

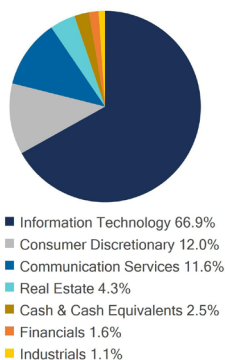
Gross Expense Ratio	5.04%
Less Reimbursement of Expenses by Adviser	(4.09)%
Net Expense Ratio	0.95%

Retail: BTEEX  
R6: BTEUX

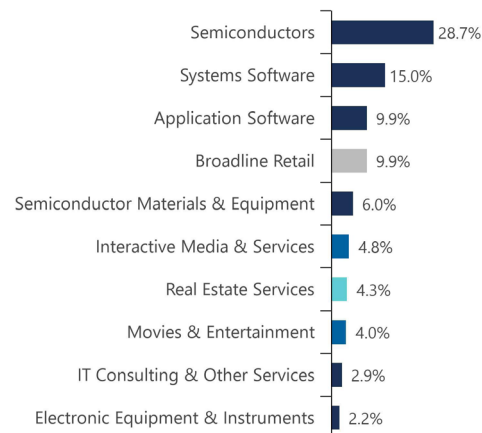
## Top 10 Holdings<sup>3</sup>

	% of Net Assets
Amazon.com, Inc.	9.9
NVIDIA Corporation	9.7
Microsoft Corporation	9.7
Broadcom Inc.	4.6
Meta Platforms, Inc.	4.4
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	4.4
CoStar Group, Inc.	4.3
Spotify Technology S.A.	4.0
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited	3.5
Lam Research Corporation	3.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>57.4</b>

## GICS Sector Breakdown<sup>1, 3</sup>



## Top GICS Sub-Industry<sup>1</sup>



Colors of Sub-Industry bars correspond to sector chart.

## Performance

	Total Return (%)		Annualized Returns (%)				Since Inception 12/31/2021
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	
BTECX-Institutional Shares	14.73	14.73	53.08	-	-	-	1.93
MSCI ACWI Information Technology Index	12.05	12.05	40.52	-	-	-	7.08
S&P 500 Index	10.56	10.56	29.88	-	-	-	6.13
Morningstar Technology Category Average	8.66	8.66	31.83	-	-	-	-2.09

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## Top Contributors/Detractors to Performance<sup>2</sup>

### BY SUB-INDUSTRIES<sup>1</sup>

Top Contributors	Average Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Semiconductors	26.49	9.85
Broadline Retail	9.48	1.85
Interactive Media & Services	4.40	1.40

Top Detractors	Average Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Automobile Manufacturers	2.99	-1.81
Technology Hardware Storage & Peripherals	2.63	-0.29
Hotels Resorts & Cruise Lines	0.92	-0.19

### BY HOLDINGS

Top Contributors	Average Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
NVIDIA Corporation	9.88	6.46
Amazon.com, Inc.	9.48	1.85
Microsoft Corporation	9.81	1.27

Top Detractors	Average Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Tesla, Inc.	2.63	-1.31
Rivian Automotive, Inc.	0.36	-0.50
indie Semiconductor, Inc.	1.49	-0.32

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