#### **CRITNTR Facts**

Ticker
Net Total Return: CRITNTR

Index Launch February 16, 2022

Base Value 100 on February 14, 2022

Index Calculation Every fifteen (15) seconds

> Rebalancing Dates Semi-Annually (Feb/Aug)

Index Rules
Available at vettafi.com

# Portfolio Characteristics

Number of Companies: 50 U.S. Companies: 8 Non-U.S. Companies: 42

Company Size by Market Capitalization (millions):

Average: \$12,478
Median: \$4,843
Largest: \$141,671
Smallest: \$479

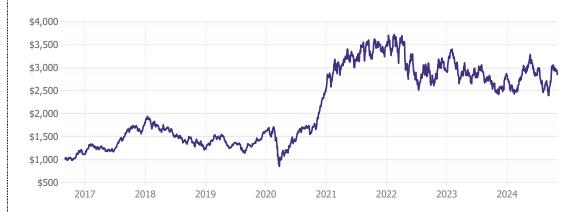
Annualized Return\*: 13.60% Annualized Volatility\*: 27.18% Information Ratio\*: 0.50 Trailing P/E: 26.04 Forward P/E: 21.96 Price/Book: 1.51 FV/Sales: 3.31 Dividend Yield: 2.15%

\*Annualized performance and volatility are since inception, including back-test results prior to February 16, 2022 An index to track global public companies with exposure to rare earth metals and critical materials.

#### The Case for Rare Earths and Critical Materials

- Vital Component of Green Energy Technologies Critical materials are essential elements used in many green energy applications aimed at reaching net-zero emission targets such as electric vehicles, wind turbines, batteries, and solar cells.
- Critical for Economic and National Security Over the past decade, the importance of rare earths and
  critical materials has impacted geopolitical relations as China often controls critical supply, and/or
  processing, and is a dominant producer, giving it increased leverage on the world stage.
- 3. Limited Supply, Amid Rising Critical Importance and Demand Rare earth metals and critical materials are in scarce supply, making them difficult to source. The urgency to establish domestic sources has accelerated due to the focus on climate change initiatives and the drive for green energy solutions, and to protect national security interests.

#### Performance of \$1,000 invested

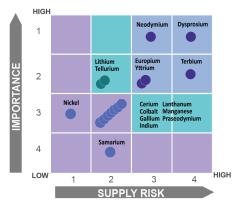


#### **Performance Data**

					Annualized		
	3 Month	6 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	8 Year
Net Total Return	4.6%	-3.7%	-0.5%	15.9%	-6.0%	15.8%	13.5%

### **Critical Elements Example: Green Energy**

Essential Rare Earth Elements (REEs) are a group of 17 elements that are vital for renewable energy and energy storage.



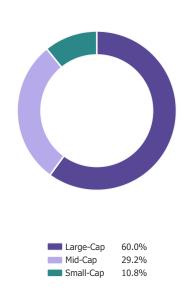
Source: EQM Indexes, University of Michigan



## **Top 10 Constituents**

Company Name	Index Weight
BHP GROUP LTD.	9.74%
FREEPORT-MCMORAN INC.	9.56%
GRUPO MEXICO SAB DE CV	7.75%
TECK RESOURCES LIMITED	5.82%
CAMECO CORPORATION	5.68%
ALCOA CORPORATION	3.04%
SOUTH32 LTD.	3.01%
ALBEMARLE CORP	2.99%
SOUTHERN COPPER CORPORATION	2.71%
FIRST QUANTUM MINERALS LTD.	2.49%
TOTAL	52.80%

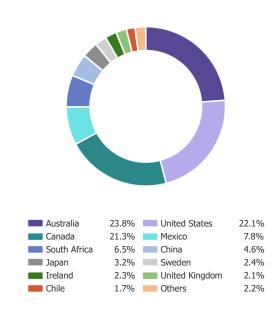
# **Market Capitalization**



## **Sector Weightings**



# **Country Weightings**



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