

JHMA

John Hancock Multifactor Materials ETF

Fund Description

JHMA tracks an index of large- and mid-cap US equities from the materials sector. The index selects stocks by market caps and weights them by multiple factors: size, value, profitability and momentum.

FactSet Analyst Report

The security is being delisted. The last day of trading is October 24, 2022. JHMA offers multi-factor exposure to the US materials sector. The fund selects stocks by market cap, pulling materials names from the largest 1,000 US stock effectively lopping off small-caps. The fund's factors size, value (also called relative price) and profitability are not used in selection, and serve to modify rather than completely replace market-cap weighting. The size factor breaks the eligible universe into three buckets, with the smallest funds (ranked 201 to 1000 by size) receiving the largest overweight, expect a bias to mid-caps rather than small-caps. The value factor relies on price/book as a signal and groups stocks accordingly into 5 buckets. Stocks with the lowest valuation receive the greatest overweight. The profitability factor (operating profit to book value) is treated in the same manner as the value factor. The momentum factor, based on 11-month returns, serves as a kind of spoiler, wherein smaller low-momentum stocks are barred from receiving an overweight they might otherwise earn.