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Contributors to performance

- Sector allocation contributed to returns due to an underweight to consumer staples, and overweight to financials, and an underweight to health care.
- Strong security selection in financials, information technology, and industrials also contributed to returns.
- A lack of allocation to Home Depot (consumer discretionary) and an overweight to JPMorgan Chase (financials) were the top contributors to performance.

Detractors from performance

- Weak security selection in communication services, utilities, and energy detracted from returns.
- An out-of-benchmark allocation to AstraZeneca (health care) and out-of-benchmark allocation to Lowe's Companies (consumer discretionary) were the top detractors to performance.

Major changes to portfolio in the period

- During the quarter, we increased our overweight to financials, energy, and industrials. We also decreased our underweight to consumer staples while increasing our underweight to health care.
- During the period, we initiated positions in Coca-Cola, the leading manufacturer of soft drinks and carbonated waters

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Major changes to portfolio in the period (cont'd)

- We eliminated our positions in Kroger, an operator of grocery and convenience stores, and Viatrix, global pharmaceutical company.

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