

# Neuberger Berman High Yield Bond Fund

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## FUND OBJECTIVE

The fund aims to increase the value of your shares through a combination of growth and income from investments in high yield bonds (debt securities). High yield bonds have a lower credit rating because they carry a higher risk of not being paid back. High yield bonds typically offer a higher income to make them attractive to investors. The fund invests primarily in high yield bonds issued by US corporations and non-US corporations which conduct a majority of their activity in the US. The fund may also invest in securities of companies and governments located in emerging market (less developed) countries.

## MANAGEMENT TEAM

**Chris Kocinski, CFA**

Senior Portfolio Manager

**Joe Lind, CFA**

Senior Portfolio Manager

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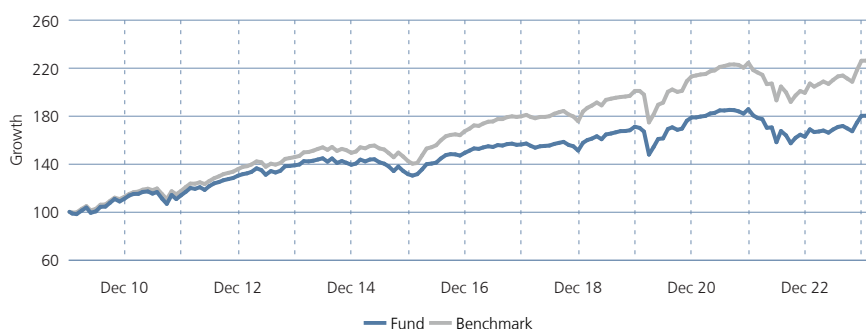
Senior Portfolio Manager

## FUND FACTS

Inception Date (Fund)	03 May 2006
Inception Date (Share Class)	11 January 2010
Base Currency (Fund)	USD
Currency (Share Class)	USD
Fund AUM (USD million)	2210.35
NAV	18.33
Domicile	Ireland
Vehicle	UCITS
Valuation	Daily
Settlement (Subscription)	T+3
Trading Deadline	15:00 (Dublin Time)
Regulator	Central Bank of Ireland
Management Fee	1.20%
Ongoing Charge (incl. management fee)*	1.32%
Bloomberg	NBIHYUA ID
ISIN	IE00B12VW672
Morningstar Category™	USD High Yield Bond
Benchmark	ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index (Total Return, USD)

## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

Past performance does not predict future returns.



This chart shows how an investment of USD 100 in the fund on its inception date would have performed and compares it against how a hypothetical investment of USD 100 in the Benchmark(s) would have performed.

PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1m <sup>2</sup>	3m <sup>2</sup>	YTD <sup>2</sup>	1y <sup>2</sup>	3y <sup>3</sup>	5y <sup>3</sup>	10y <sup>3</sup>	SI <sup>4</sup>
Fund	1.10	1.44	1.44	9.37	0.48	2.55	2.56	4.34
Benchmark	1.19	1.51	1.51	11.06	2.21	4.01	4.36	6.03

12 MONTH PERIODS (%)	Mar14 Mar15	Mar15 Mar16	Mar16 Mar17	Mar17 Mar18	Mar18 Mar19	Mar19 Mar20	Mar20 Mar21	Mar21 Mar22	Mar22 Mar23	Mar23 Mar24
Fund	0.00	-4.71	12.75	0.65	4.94	-8.29	21.93	-1.55	-5.79	9.37
Benchmark	2.06	-3.96	16.87	3.70	5.93	-7.46	23.22	-0.30	-3.58	11.06

CALENDAR (%)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 <sup>5</sup>
Fund	-5.66	13.59	4.75	-3.25	13.19	4.55	3.85	-12.40	10.72	1.44
Benchmark	-4.61	17.49	7.48	-2.27	14.41	6.07	5.35	-11.21	13.47	1.51

The fund is actively managed, which means that the investments are selected at the discretion of the investment manager. The Benchmark is used for performance comparison purposes. The fund's investment policy restricts the extent to which the fund's holdings may deviate from the benchmark, but the fund is not exclusively limited to the securities of the benchmark.

<sup>1</sup>Performance to latest month end. m - month, YTD - Year to Date, y - year, SI - Since Inception.

<sup>2</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>3</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>4</sup>Returns from 11 January 2010 to latest month end.

<sup>5</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

Fund performance is representative of the USD A Accumulating Class and has been calculated to account for the deduction of fees. Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund should note that returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. **Fund performance does not take account of any commission or costs incurred by investors when subscribing for or redeeming shares.**

## TOP 10 ISSUERS % (MV)

	Fund
Charter Communications	1.91
TransDigm Inc	1.60
Medline Industries Inc	1.43
Carnival Plc	1.40
CSC Holdings LLC	1.12
Tenet Healthcare	1.01
Frontier Communications	0.95
Level 3 Communications Inc	0.93
Vistra Energy Corp	0.88
NRG Energy Inc	0.75

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\*The ongoing charges figure is based on the annual expenses for the period ending 31 December 2023.

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## TOP 5 COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
United States	85.06	86.78
Canada	3.08	4.49
France	1.66	0.92
United Kingdom	1.49	2.34
Germany	0.94	0.62

## TOP 5 SECTOR OVERWEIGHT ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
Gas Distribution	7.18	4.68
Capital Goods	3.95	1.75
Automotive / Auto Parts	4.19	2.11
Real Estate / Homebuilders / Building Materials	9.23	7.61
Consumer Products / Services	9.37	7.79

## SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
Consumer Products / Services	9.37	7.79
Real Estate / Homebuilders / Building Materials	9.23	7.61
Gaming / Lodging / Leisure	7.67	7.46
Healthcare	7.30	7.88
Gas Distribution	7.18	4.68
Technology / Electronics	5.67	5.65
Diversified Financial Services	5.49	7.88
Telecommunications	4.85	5.40
Energy	4.76	7.26
Automotive / Auto Parts	4.19	2.11

## DURATION DISTRIBUTION % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
0 - 1 Year	8.37	4.27
1 - 2 Years	6.68	12.52
2 - 3 Years	17.74	18.74
3 - 4 Years	31.83	28.51
4 - 5 Years	24.55	21.37
5 - 6 Years	6.81	9.04
6 - 7 Years	3.16	3.57
7 - 8 Years	0.28	0.66
8 - 9 Years	0.26	0.44
9+ Years	0.32	0.87

## SECURITY CREDIT QUALITY % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
BBB	2.54	0.50
BB	42.32	50.05
B	40.08	36.85
CCC	12.60	11.76
CC	0.46	0.83
C	0.00	0.01
Not rated	0.05	0.00
Cash	1.96	0.00

Credit quality ratings are based on the ICE Bank of America ("ICE BofA") Master High Yield Index composite ratings. The ICE BofA composite ratings are updated once a month on the last calendar day of the month based on information available up to and including the third business day prior to the last business day of the month. The ICE BofA composite rating algorithm is based on an average of the ratings of three agencies (to the extent rated). Generally the composite is based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch. For holdings that are unrated by the ICE BofA Index composite, credit quality ratings are based on S&P's rating. Holdings that are unrated by S&P may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment manager. No NRSO has been involved with the calculation of credit quality and the ratings of underlying portfolio holdings should not be viewed as a rating of the portfolio itself. Portfolio holdings, underlying ratings of holdings and credit quality composition may change materially over time.

## CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Bmrk
Weighted Average Maturity (years)	6.07	5.46
Portfolio Price	95.81	93.18
Weighted Average Yield to Worst (%)	7.47	7.74
Weighted Average Yield to Maturity (%)	7.62	7.88
OAS (bps)	274	304
Weighted Average Duration (years)	3.44	3.55
Weighted Average Current Yield (%)	6.88	6.63
Average Credit Quality	B+	B+

## RISK MEASURES

	3 years
Alpha	-1.71
Tracking Error (%)	0.77
Beta	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	-0.22
Information Ratio	-2.24
R-Squared (%)	99.14
Standard Deviation	8.49

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## A SHARE CLASS DATA

Share Class	Currency	Inception Date (Share Class)	ISIN	Bloomberg	Fund Price	Last Distribution	Annual Yield
AUD A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	AUD	05-09-2012	IE00B7VR8263	NBHYAAM ID	6.42	0.048963	9.00%
AUD A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	AUD	28-08-2012	IE00B5NTQ667	NBHYAAD ID	15.16	-	-
CAD A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	CAD	23-07-2013	IE00B8HXG658	NBHYACA ID	6.68	0.050915	9.00%
CHF A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	CHF	05-07-2011	IE00B5YDJD53	NBHYCAA ID	12.23	-	-
CNY A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	CNY	01-08-2012	IE00B7YPR088	NBHYBRA ID	72.06	0.549300	9.00%
EUR A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	EUR	19-06-2012	IE00B4024J04	NBHYEAH ID	5.99	0.045646	9.00%
EUR A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	EUR	03-05-2006	IE00B12VWB25	NBIHYBA ID	20.14	-	-
EUR A Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	EUR	24-02-2012	IE00B718SL89	NBHYEAI ID	7.17	0.094024	5.27%
GBP A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	GBP	07-07-2014	IE00BCDYX818	NBHGAMD ID	6.28	0.047876	9.00%
GBP A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	GBP	27-04-2011	IE00B1G9WD45	NBHYSAA ID	14.40	-	-
GBP A Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	GBP	24-02-2012	IE00B1G9WG75	NBHYGAI ID	7.92	0.103524	5.26%
HKD A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	HKD	14-09-2012	IE00B87ZP976	NBHAMD ID	6.58	0.050176	9.00%
SEK A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	SEK	16-06-2011	IE00B5N0GF80	NBHYSEA ID	137.40	-	-
SGD A (Monthly) Distributing Class <sup>#</sup>	SGD	30-03-2012	IE00B513D147	NBHYSAH ID	13.66	0.104165	9.00%
SGD A Accumulating Class <sup>#</sup>	SGD	09-03-2012	IE00B3VJ3Q31	NBHYSGA ID	29.31	-	-
USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class	USD	02-05-2012	IE00B4KRFX62	NBHYUAM ID	7.07	0.053919	9.00%
USD A (Weekly) Distributing Class	USD	22-01-2013	IE00B88XV589	NHYUAWI ID	6.79	0.011685	9.00%
USD A Accumulating Class	USD	11-01-2010	IE00B12VW672	NBIHYUA ID	18.33	-	-
USD A Distributing Class	USD	24-02-2012	IE00B1G9WM36	NBHYADI ID	8.60	0.112013	5.24%

Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

Investors who subscribe in a currency different from their local currency should note that the costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

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<sup>#</sup> Hedged Share Class. Hedged share classes which are designated in a currency other than the base currency of the fund, are hedged into the base currency. For details please refer to the prospectus.

Fund price is as of the date of the factsheet. Please note that the last distribution quoted is the dividend payout per share on the relevant share class's last distribution date which varies (monthly, weekly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually) and may be different from the date of the factsheet.

The annual yield figure quoted is the distribution yield, calculated by multiplying the dividend by pay periods, dividing by the net asset value (NAV) of the last distribution date and then multiplying by 100%. It is for reference only and is not indicative of the return of the Fund's future dividend to be received by investors.

In respect of distributing share classes, the Directors of the Company may at their discretion pay dividends out of the capital of the Fund. Dividends paid out of capital amount to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Such dividends may result in an immediate decrease in the net asset value (NAV) of the relevant shares. Dividends are not paid for all share classes and are not guaranteed. A positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return, and some share classes listed are subject to further restrictions. Please refer to the Fund's prospectus for further details.

## RISK CONSIDERATIONS

**Market Risk:** The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including among other things, the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging markets are likely to bear higher risk due to a possible lack of adequate financial, legal, social, political and economic structures, protection and stability as well as uncertain tax positions which may lead to lower liquidity. **The NAV of the fund may experience medium to high volatility due to lower liquidity and the availability of reliable information, as well as due to the fund's investment policies or portfolio management techniques.**

**Liquidity Risk:** The risk that the fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. In extreme market conditions this can affect the fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

**Credit Risk:** The risk that bond issuers may fail to meet their interest repayments, or repay debt, resulting in temporary or permanent losses to the fund.

**Interest Rate Risk:** The risk of interest rate movements affecting the value of fixed-rate bonds.

**Counterparty Risk:** The risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date.

**Operational Risk:** The risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people and systems including those relating to the safekeeping of assets or from external events.

**Derivatives Risk:** The fund is permitted to use certain types of financial derivative instruments (including certain complex instruments). This may increase the fund's leverage significantly which may cause large variations in the value of your share. Investors should note that the fund may achieve its investment objective by investing principally in Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI). There are certain investment risks that apply in relation to the use of FDI. The fund's use of FDI can involve significant risks of loss.

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Source: Neuberger Berman, Blackrock Aladdin and Morningstar.

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