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## Direxion Launches mRNA ETF (MSGR)

*The mRNA ETF ( Ticker: MSGR) Offers Exposure to Rapidly Evolving mRNA Sector*

NEW YORK – December 09, 2021 – Direxion ([direxion.com](http://www.direxion.com)) announced today the launch of the [Direxion mRNA ETF \(Ticker: MSGR\)](https://www.direxion.com/product/mrna-etf) (<https://www.direxion.com/product/mrna-etf>). MSGR invests in companies believed to be at the forefront of the development and application of [messenger RNA technology](#).

The **MSGR ETF** seeks investment results, before fees and expenses, of the BITA Messenger RNA Technology Index. The BITA Messenger RNA Technology Index provides exposure to the performance of companies, publicly listed in the United States, Canada and Europe, that are leading the development and application of mRNA technology. **mRNA is a single-stranded ribonucleic acid molecule** that is complementary to one of the DNA strands of a gene. mRNA plays a vital role in protein synthesis in the human body, and mRNA technologies leverage this vital role to enable targeted cells to produce proteins that enable the body to fight, or prevent, a given disease.

“For years, **messenger RNA (mRNA) technologies** struggled to gain acceptance. The COVID-19 pandemic changed all of that, thanks to the highly effective vaccines developed using mRNA to combat the novel coronavirus and its emerging variants,” said **David Mazza, Managing Director, Head of Product at Direxion**. “MSGR captures companies specifically involved with **mRNA technologies** that are believed to be at the forefront of fighting the battle against COVID, while also highlighting mRNA’s application to other viruses and diseases, including HIV and Lyme disease.”

Investors seeking to gain exposure to **mRNA stocks**, and the **mRNA sector**, can access companies such as Moderna, Inc. (MRNA), BioNTech SE (BNTX), Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc (VRTX) and others through this [mRNA ETF \(\\$MSGR\)](#). *For additional nanotech stocks, see the table below.*

As of November 19, 2021, the 24 constituents had a median total market capitalization of \$2 billion, total market capitalizations ranging from \$41 million to \$107 billion, and were concentrated in the **healthcare sector**. Top ten index holdings are as follows:

*mRNA ETF ( Ticker: MSGR) Index Holdings*

Name	Ticker	GICS Sub-Industry	Market Cap (\$B)	Weight (%)
BioNTech SE	BNTX	Biotechnology	85.30	9.41
Dicerna Pharmaceuticals Inc	DRNA	Pharmaceuticals	2.96	8.22
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc	VRTX	Pharmaceuticals	47.53	7.07
Moderna Inc	MRNA	Biotechnology & Pharmaceuticals	142.89	7.04
BeiGene Ltd	BGNE	Biotechnology	32.45	6.64
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals Inc	ALNY	Pharmaceuticals	21.98	6.50
Gritstone bio Inc	GRTS	Biotechnology	0.90	5.34
Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals Inc	ARWR	Pharmaceuticals	7.32	4.90
Maravai LifeSciences Holdings Inc	MRVI	Biotechnology	11.84	4.65
CureVac NV	CVAC	Biotechnology	9.00	4.54

Source: Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., BITA, as of 11.30.2021.

### **About Direxion:**

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Additional risks of the Fund include, but are not limited to, Non-Diversification Risk, Index Correlation/Tracking Risk, Index Strategy Risk, Biotechnology Industry Risk, Healthcare Sector Risk, Natural Disaster/Epidemic and Market Disruption Risk, Foreign Securities Risk and risks associated with the market capitalizations and sectors of the securities in which the Fund may

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