

# Twenty Nine Sunsets. 29 MOON-rises.

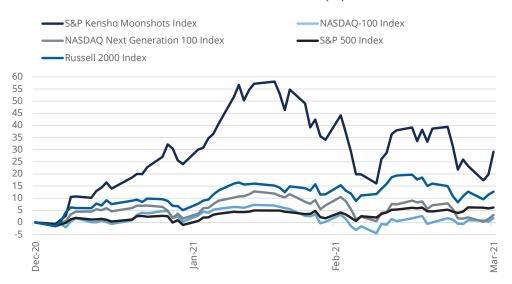
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With a 29% return over the first 29 days of 2021, moonshot companies<sup>[1]</sup> outperformed a range of major indexes. The Russell 2000 Index's strong performance received considerable media attention, but the S&P Kensho Moonshots Index outperformed it by over 16%. Moonshots beat the NASDAQ Next Generation 100 Index, which focuses on the next generation of NASDAQ-listed non-financial companies, by a whopping 26%. It also best the S&P 500 Index and NASDAQ-100 Indexes by considerable margins.

The Direxion Moonshot Innovators ETF (MOON) provides exposure to an index which attempts to target 50 of the most innovative, early-stage US-listed companies, by identifying those pursuing innovation with the potential to disrupt their existing industries in future. Unlike many thematic ETFs, MOON tilts heavily toward small caps, as they represent 69% of the fund according to Morningstar data, as the fund purposely targets companies at the emergence of their radical pursuits and products. [2] Small cap growth comprises 36% of the portfolio, making it the largest style by far. This is not to say large caps are not innovative, but their potential for further unique disruption may be limited compared to smaller, more nimble firms.

## WHILE VOLATILE, MOONSHOTS OUTPERFORMED IN Q1, 2021.

## Normalized Performance (%)



Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., as of March 31, 2021. This data represents past performance and is not indicative of future results. Short-term performance may often reflect conditions that are likely not sustainable and may not be repeated in the future. You cannot invest directly in an index.

<sup>[1]</sup> Moonshot companies defined as the S&P Kensho Moonshots Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[2]</sup>Source: Morningstar, as of March 31, 2021.

#### WHY DID MOONSHOTS DO SO WELL?

In the first quarter, 32 stocks had positive performance, returning 45% on average, while 18 stocks underperformed, returning -15% on average. Two stocks returned over 200% and another two returned over 100%. The best performing stock was MicroVision, Inc. (NASDAQ: MVIS), a company that develops miniature laser sensing and projected display products, with use cases across consumer electronics, the automotive industry, and even healthcare. The stock was bolstered by news its technologies could be ready for market in 2021 and rumors it may be a takeout candidate from larger technology or consumer companies.

On the flipside, Tenable Holdings, Inc. (TENB), which provides cybersecurity solutions, fell over 30% in the quarter. The stock rose considerably in price, but fell sharply along with broader volatility in smaller technology names with long durations.

## A DIVERSE GROUP OF STOCKS LEAD TO OUTPERFORMANCE

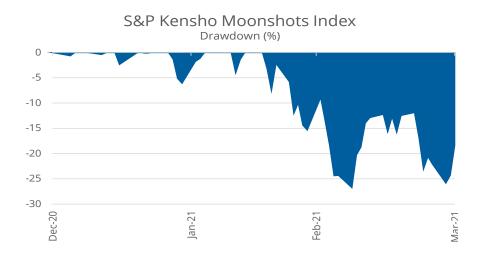
Name	Thematic Sub-Sector	Average Weight (%)	Performance (%)	Contribution (%)
Top Contributors	•		•	
MicroVision, Inc. (MVIS)	Virtual Reality	6.93	244.80	8.18
Vuzix Corporation (VUZI)	Wearables	5.72	180.18	6.16
The ExOne Company (XONE)	3D Printing	3.89	230.45	3.60
Vir Biotechnology, Inc. (VIR)	Genetic Engineering	2.71	91.45	1.64
ImmunityBio, Inc. (IBRX)	Genetic Engineering	3.74	78.09	1.62
Top Detractors				
Bluebird Bio, Inc. (BLUE)	Genetic Engineering	1.42	-30.32	-0.34
Oneconnect Financial Technology Co., Ltd. (OCFT)	Distributed Ledger 1.45		-25.01	-0.35
Mercury Systems, Inc. (MRCY)	Drones	1.41	-19.77	-0.40
MongoDB, Inc. (MDB)	Software & Services	1.96	-25.52	-0.57
Tenable Holdings, Inc. (TENB)	Cyber Security	1.93	-30.76	-0.70

Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021.

Where Do Moonshots Go From Here?

While past performance is not indicative of future results, investors should be aware that with positive, but generally uncorrelated performance, returns may be volatile. The S&P Kensho Moonshots Index did experience a drawdown in March, as small cap stocks, and companies that carry substantial "duration" in their cash flows (e.g. growth stocks), suffered notably relative to the broader market.

## MOONSHOTS REMAIN IN A DRAWDOWN FROM ALL-TIME HIGHS



Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., as of March 31, 2021.

Active share offers a measure of how differentiated a portfolio of securities is relative to a benchmark in an easy to understand manner. An active share of zero indicates a portfolio is identical to a given benchmark, while an active share of 100 indicates it is completely unique. Relative to the broad market, as measured by the Russell 3000 Index, MOON's active share is 99.62, implying it is almost entirely differentiated from the broader US equity market.<sup>[3]</sup>

Going forward, investors should focus on understanding the potential opportunity for disruption MOON's holdings offer. For example, companies involved with genetic engineering comprise over 18% of the fund, with cyber security and wearables each over 10%. The fund has exposure to fifteen other disruptive themes at the forefront of changing the world.

#### MOON TOP 10 HOLDINGS

Name	Thematic Sub-Sector	GICS Sub-Industry	Market Cap	Weight
MicroVision, Inc. (MVIS)	Virtual Reality	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	Mid Cap	10.86%
Vuzix Corporation (VUZI)	Wearables	Consumer Electronics	Small Cap	9.37%
The ExOne Company (XONE)	3D Printing	Industrial Machinery	Small Cap	4.11%
ImmunityBio, Inc. (IBRX)	Genetic Engineering	Biotechnology	Mid Cap	3.56%
FuelCell Energy, Inc. (FCEL)	Clean Technology	Electrical Components & Equipment	Mid Cap	2.72%
Vir Biotechnology, Inc. (VIR)	Genetic Engineering	Biotechnology	Mid Cap	2.68%
iRobot Corporation (IRBT)	Robotics	Household Appliances	Mid Cap	2.45%
Xunlei Ltd. (XNET)	Distributed Ledger	Application Software	Small Cap	2.43%
Glu Mobile Inc. (GLUU)	Digital Communities	Interactive Home Entertainment	Mid Cap	2.10%
Plug Power, Inc. (PLUG)	Clean Technology	Electrical Components & Equipment	Large Cap	2.06%

Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., as of March 31, 2021.

#### MOON THEMATIC SUB-SECTORS BY WEIGHT

Thematic Sub-Sectors	Weight
Genetic Engineering	17.59%
Cyber Security	13.14%
Virtual Reality	10.86%
Wearables	10.48%
Clean Technology	8.21%
3D Printing	6.09%
Digital Communities	5.86%
Drones	4.38%
Distributed Ledger	3.54%
Autonomous Vehicles	3.48%
Robotics	3.44%
Enterprise Collaboration	3.32%
Advanced Transport Systems	2.05%
Smart Buildings	1.79%
Internet Services & Infrastructure	1.73%
Software & Services	1.47%
Space	1.47%
Smart Grids	1.10%

Source: Bloomberg Finance, L.P., as of March 31, 2021. Subject to change.

#### STANDARDIZED PERFORMANCE

	1M %	3M %	YTD %	1Y %	3Y %	5Y %	10Y %	Since Inception	Inception Date	Expense Ratio* (Gross / Net %)
NAV	-3.64	29.26	29.26	_	_	_	-	64.00	11/12/2020	0.65 / 0.65*
Market Close	-3.55	29.25	29.25	_	_	_	_	64.20		
KMOON	-3.62	29.19	29.19	_	_	_	_	64.10	_	-

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