

# **HEDGED GROWTH SLEEVE | APRIL 2025**

# **April 2025 Overview from LoCorr Funds Research**

Equities continued to fall in April as the S&P 500 Index fell -0.68%. The month was dominated by global trade policy uncertainty. The S&P 500 fell -12% in the subsequent three trading days following "Liberation Day", though it would come roaring back. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index gained +0.39%. Commodities fell as OPEC+ announced plans to increase oil production, driving both WTI and Brent crude oil down more than -17%. The U.S. Dollar continued its rapid decline as investors weighed the impact of tariffs.

### **Hedged Growth Sleeve Highlights**

The LoCorr **Hedged Growth** sleeve (equal weighting of Macro Strategies, Long/Short Commodities Strategy, and Dynamic Opportunity Funds, rebalanced monthly), was down in April. However, we believe this blend of complementary funds is well-positioned to deliver meaningful diversification and provide a portfolio inflation buffer as the underlying funds can participate in upward and downward trending markets. Further, this mix has historically exhibited low correlation to both stocks and bonds while aiming to act as a buffer during periods of extended equity market weakness to create a differentiated return stream for real portfolio diversification.

# Low-Correlating Sleeve Allocation



The addition of a **low-correlating sleeve** provides the potential for a return stream independent of equities and fixed income and a more balanced portfolio. The **Hedged Growth Sleeve** has a long-term track record of delivering positive returns.

<b>Performance Summary</b>	As of April 30, 2025					Since Common Inception <sup>1</sup>				As of	As of March 31, 2025		
	Monthly	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception	Correlation to BBg Agg		Beta to S&P 500	1-Year	5-Year	10-Year
<b>LoCorr Hedged Growth Sleeve</b> (LFMIX 33 / LCSIX 33 / LEQIX 33)	-1.47%	-2.08%	-2.45%	-0.12%	4.32%	4.47%	4.81%	0.04	0.52	0.19	-0.76%	5.16%	4.44%
BBg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	0.39%	3.18%	8.02%	1.95%	-0.67%	1.54%	1.79%	1.00	0.36	0.12	4.88%	-0.40%	1.46%
Macro Strategies (LFMIX)	-1.28%	-1.28%	-5.22%	0.15%	3.57%	3.62%	4.26%	-0.16	0.02	0.01	-0.43%	4.34%	3.44%
L/S Commodities Strategy (LCSIX)	-2.32%	1.26%	-7.65%	-3.43%	0.73%	5.07%	5.74%	0.05	-0.15	-0.08	-5.94%	1.28%	5.03%
Dynamic Opportunity (LEQIX)	-0.82%	-6.25%	5.56%	2.34%	8.10%	3.68%	3.42%	0.13	0.75	0.65	3.76%	9.30%	3.81%

The pie chart above represents an allocation of 10-30% away from stocks and bonds to low-correlating assets. **Performance since individual Fund inceptions through 4/30/25, LFMIX (3/24/11) 2.48%, LCSIX (12/31/11) 3.39%, LEQIX (5/10/13) 3.24%.** Since common inception 6/1/13. Returns are annualized for periods greater than one year. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling 888.628.2887. Investment performance reflects contractual fee waivers in effect. In the absence of such waivers, total return would be reduced. LoCorr Fund Management has contractually agreed to reduce its fees and/or absorb expenses of its Funds, until at least April 30, 2026. Gross expense ratios; LFMIX 1.88%, LCSIX 2.12%, LEQIX 2.35%. Performance as of 4/30/25, S&P 500 Total Return Index: 12.10% 1-Year, 15.61% 5-Year, 10.95% since inception. Source: Morningstar and LoCorr Funds.

#### **Calendar Year Returns**

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011³
LoCorr Hedged Growth Sleeve (LFMIX 33 / LCSIX 33 / LEQIX 33)	3.11%	-1.87%	4.04%	9.70%	7.46%	6.68%	-1.19%	4.09%	9.73%	8.38%	7.08%	0.57%2	-	-
BBg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	1.25%	5.53%	-13.01%	-1.54%	7.51%	8.72%	0.01%	3.54%	2.65%	0.55%	5.97%	-2.02%	4.21%	7.25%
Macro Strategies (LFMIX)	6.70%	-6.58%	15.40%	0.08%	5.70%	12.72%	-5.08%	2.96%	6.69%	3.72%	15.56%	-5.28%	-5.75%	-6.50%
L/S Commodities Strategy (LCSIX)	-8.34%	-3.07%	6.06%	14.82%	9.91%	-5.97%	15.40%	6.19%	-2.67%	22.61%	22.36%	-8.11%	-16.20%	-
Dynamic Opportunity (LEQIX)	11.55%	3.44%	-8.80%	14.58%	4.03%	13.68%	-12.55%	2.60%	25.33%	-1.22%	-14.18%	15.00%*	-	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Time period 5/11/13-12/31/13. <sup>3</sup>Time period 3/25/11-12/31/11. Performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not quarantee future results.

#### **3- and 5-Year Rolling Returns** | 5/11/2016 - 4/30/2025

	3-Year Average	3-Year Maximum	3-Year Minimum
<b>LoCorr Hedged Growth Sleeve</b> (LFMIX 33 / LCSIX 33 / LEQIX 33)	5.49%	11.04%	-1.00%
BBg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	1.38%	6.25%	-5.91%

#### 5/11/2018 - 4/30/2025

5-Year Average	5-Year Maximum	5-Year Minimum				
5.35%	7.48%	2.55%				
1.91%	4.55%	-1.07%				

Returns are annualized for periods greater than one year. Performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results.

#### **5-Year Rolling Returns** | As of April 30, 2025



# Help your clients further diversify their portfolios with a sleeve of alternative investments that seeks to provide:

- Low correlation to traditional investments
- Reduced risk in portfolios
- Profit in both up and down markets
- Enhanced returns
- A buffer against inflation

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