

Exponential Opportunities Equity Metals Fund



Market Review

The battle between bulls and bears continues, with neither side gaining a decisive advantage. As in April, gold continued to drift lower throughout May, though without coming under significant pressure. The month-end close of \$4,593 represents a modest decline of 0.8% month-over-month. We expect this consolidation to continue into June, as there are currently no signs of a strong new trend emerging in either direction.

Silver, however, managed to outperform its bigger brother, gold. During the first half of the month, silver rallied by more than 20%, briefly trading above \$90, before falling back within just two days to the strong support zone around \$75. Despite this volatility, silver closed the month at \$75.87, posting a gain of 2.5% compared to April. Here too, the chart suggests a continuation of the basing phase, which should provide the foundation for the next leg higher in the ongoing bull market.

Performance Data as of May 31, 2026

Unit Class	NAV	Monthly Performance	QTD Performance	YTD Performance	Since Inception*
Class A USD	126.38	-2.11%	3.77%	5.44%	26.38%
Class A CHF	109.15	-2.20%	0.91%	7.05%	9.15%
Class B USD	105.66	-2.20%	3.60%	5.75%	5.66%
Class B CHF	101.65	-2.29%	0.75%	7.46%	1.65%

* Class A USD & Class A CHF: 31.03.2021 / Class B CHF: 05.05.2021 / Class B USD: 26.05.2021

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For May, the fund is down -2.11% for the A-USD class, -2.2% for the A-CHF class, down -2.2% for the B-USD, while the B-CHF class is down -2.29%.

The last few months have been characterized by a consolidation in precious metals. While many investors expected gold to rally sharply amid geopolitical situation, the opposite occurred. Gold and silver came under pressure. Not because of weakening fundamentals, but because the war triggered a rise in energy prices, inflation expectations, bond yields, and ultimately the U.S. dollar. Markets began to price in a more hawkish Federal Reserve, creating a temporary headwind for precious metals.

This weakness is cyclical rather than structural. The underlying drivers of the bull market remain firmly intact. The current environment increasingly resembles a stagflationary setup, with inflationary pressures rising while economic growth slows. Historically, this has been a highly supportive backdrop for gold. Importantly, mining companies continue to generate extraordinary cash flows even at gold prices between \$4,000 and \$5,000 per ounce. Producers are reporting record free cash flow, strengthening balance sheets, increasing dividends, and executing share buybacks. Developers and explorers continue to benefit from improving project economics and rising acquisition interest from larger producers. We believe the current consolidation is laying the foundation for the next leg higher in precious metals. Our portfolio remains positioned accordingly, with exposure to high-quality companies that we expect to benefit disproportionately when the next phase of this bull market unfolds.

Based on performance and subscriptions / redemptions, assets under management decreased by -2.2% from \$7.6m to \$7.43m in May.

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