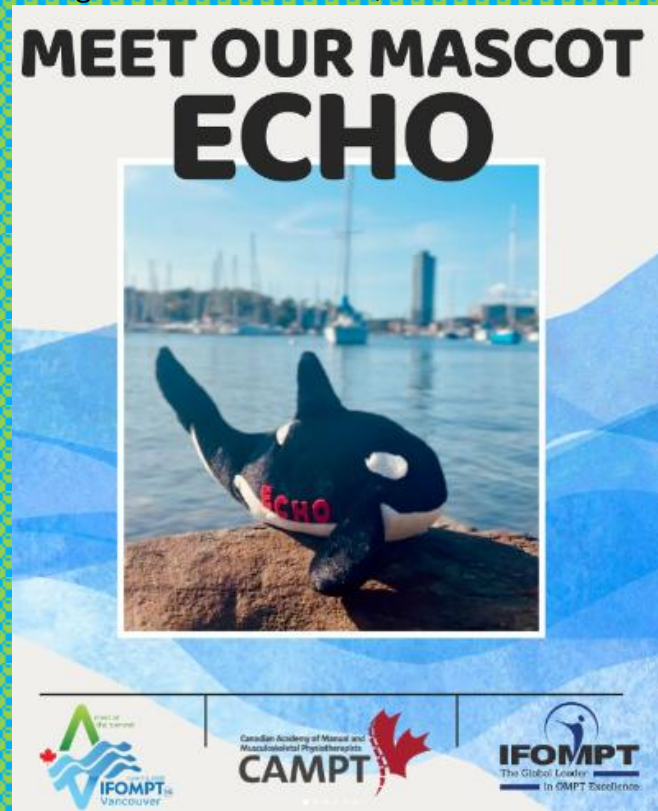


Vancouver Echo 4 - October 2025

Dear Fellow Colleagues,

1. Meet Echo the Mascot!

In case you missed it, the 2028 Executive had a vision of a mascot that would elevate the conference logo and be a part of the branding fun for Vancouver. After much thought and consideration, an orca with the name Echo was selected for the role!



3. Mission Statement and Values

We have taken international and national feedback and folded it into our conference mission statement and values. Please feel free to check out the [slide](#) and use at your discretion!

4. E- Signature

Here is an [e signature](#) that you are free to use under your email credentials!

5. Important Upcoming Dates

Call outs for the [six Scientific Committee members](#) will go out this November. Keep these dates:

Opening Call: Nov 30, 2025 for 6 members

January 31, 2026 deadline for letter of interest and nomination letter from MO or RIG

Decisions March 31, 2026

Call outs for [International Mentors](#) to assist emerging researchers will go out in January 2026. Keep these dates:

January 31, 2026 call out with JD for mentors from MO's and RIG's

April 30, 2026 deadline for letter of interest and nomination letter from MO or RIG

Decisions June 30, 2026

Watch these updates for upcoming committee opportunities!

Until next month!

Your 2028 Reach the Summit Executive

Rhonda, Mike and Jen