



# 7/16/20 Morning Report with @CPSolvers



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**CC:** abdominal pain  
**HPI:** 62M presenting with 5 days of RUQ pain Started suddenly 5 days ago - initially 3/10-->7/10. Constant, no alleviating/exacerbating factors. ?associated with eating but appetite has been worse, decreased PO intake. Associated with one episode of nonbloody emesis More SOB and anxious recently Recently at neighboring hospital for similar complaints - had an US, was told something was wrong with his gallbladder and needed surgery but could not be done at this hospital. At this hospital - got a HIDA scan

**PMH:**  
 CAD s/p stent 2004  
 HFrEF (35%), s/p ICD  
 Atrial fibrillation  
 HLD  
 CVA (remote), VT  
**Meds:**  
 ASA 81  
 Amiodarone 400 mg daily  
 Bumex 1mg daily  
 Metop succ 100 BID  
 Simvastatin 20 daily  
 Apixaban 5mg BID

**Fam Hx:**  
 Non contributory  
**Soc Hx:**  
 Lives with wife who is primary caretaker  
 No smoking, EtOH or recreational drugs

**Vitals:** T: 98.8 HR: 101 BP: 91/70 RR: 16 SpO<sub>2</sub>: 93% on RA  
**Exam:**  
**Gen:** anxious, NAD  
**HEENT:** unremarkable, moist oral mucosa, no scleral icterus  
**CV:** JVD visible at 90 degrees, irregularly irregular, no mrum  
**Pulm:** clear to auscultation  
**Abd:** soft, exquisite tenderness of the RUQ, (-)Murphy's sign, BS(+)  
**Extremities/Skin:** 2+ pitting edema to knees, cool hands/feet

**Notable Labs & Imaging:**  
**Hematology:**  
 WBC: 7.2 (normal diff) Hgb: 11.8 Plt: 191  
**Chemistry:**  
 Na: 131 K: 4.1 Cl: 104 CO2: 21 BUN: 43 Cr: 2.3 (1.4) glucose: Ca: Phos: Mag: 2.3  
 AST: 111 ALT: 271 Alk-P: 171 T. Bili: 2.4 (1.4) Albumin: 2.4, TP 5.8 Lipase: normal INR: 1/7 Lactate: 3.0  
**Imaging:**  
 EKG: irregularly irregular rhythm  
 CXR: congestion/pulmonary edema  
 TTE: LVEF 25% (limited by afib with RVR)  
 Report/Images for RUQUS: pericholecystic fluid and edema c/f cholecystitis (overread as congestion, less likely inflammation)  
 HIDA scan: no acute gallbladder inflammation, but reduced EF of gallbladder

**Problem Representation:**  
 62M w/poorly controlled HFrEF, VT, CAD, p/w acute/subacute RUQ pain, cool extremities, volume overload, c/f normotensive cardiogenic shock and hepatic congestion, likely 2/2 VT induced HFrEF decompensation

**Teaching Points (Andrea):**  
 Abdominal pain in elderly: higher mortality and morbidity than chest pain. The most typical presentation of ap in elderly is the atypical ones  
 Emergency cases cannot miss: surgical (obstruction,perforation), vascular (aortic dissection, mesenteric ischemia), OBGYN (ectopic pregnancy) and cardiac (inferior MI)  
 Abdominal pain according to structure:  
 Intraabdominal: Think about quadrants and organs related to them  
 Extra: kidney, urinary, etc  
 Imaging is key in abdominal pain  
 Pain can cause anorexia by itself  
 RUQ pain: liiver, biliary system, gallbladder, diaphragm  
 Heart failure: always ask if compensated, Dry vs wet (measure congestion like JVP), test perfusion,  
 HF pat may have coronary disease, periphery disease and poor perfusion to end organs  
 Gallbladder vs Cardiac: Hepatobiliary system affected by congestion, increased liver enzymes  
 Low pulse pressure: Cardiac shock  
 Cardiac pathology supposes poor reserve  
 Low sodium is a bad prognostic for HF