



# 8/23/23 Morning Report with @CPSolvers



"One life, so many dreams" Case Presenter: Anmolpreet Kaur Grewal Case Discussants: Ann Marie Kumfer (@AnnKumfer) and Sharmin Shekarchian (@Sharminzi)

**CC:** increasing epigastric discomfort and fullness with nausea

**HPI:** 48 yo female presented acutely with one day of vomiting, loss of appetite and increasing epigastric fullness  
Symptoms started 8 months before with mild epigastric fullness, which did not relieved with meds.  
No pain in other regions of abdomen, no loose stools, no blood in stools.

**PMH:** Migraine for 5 years, asymptomatic gallstones for 12 years, HTN for 21 years

**Meds:** abortive RX for migraine, telmisartan/HC TZ,

**Fam Hx:** both parents with HTN and DM

**Soc Hx:** house-wife, sedentary (advised rest by a physician due to complaint of coccygodinia)

**Health-Related Behaviors:** no alcohol, doesn't smoke, vegetarian

**Allergies:**

**Vitals:** HR: nl, BP: nl, RR: 19 SpO2 97% RA, BMI 32.9

**Exam:**

**Gen:** uncomfortable, mild distress

**HEENT:** no icterus

**CV and pulm:** nl

**Abd:** palpable hepatomegaly, no RUQ tenderness, abdomen non tender

**Extremities/skin:** no edema, peripheral pulses palpable

**Notable Labs & Imaging:**

**Hematology:**

WBC: 8.600 (N 38.3%, L 62%, Eos nl), Hgb: 12.6, Plt: nl

**Chemistry:**

AST: 83, ALT: 158, GGT 30, Alk-P: , T. Bili:

HbA1c 6%, fasting blood sugar 119, total cholesterol 207, LDL 145, Tg 135, HDL 44, uric acid 6.5

**Imaging:**

US: hepatomegaly (17cm) - liver homogeneously echogenic with fatty infiltration, chronic cholecystitis, gall bladder distended, mildly thickened with calculous, not perycolecistic fluid.

Intrahepatic biliary ducts normal, no calculous in the visualized CBD

**Final dx:** non-alcoholic fatty liver disease due to metabolic syndrome (NAFLD)

She was prescribed exercise and statins, with improvement.

**Problem Representation:**

48 yo F who presented with epigastric discomfort and nausea. She was discovered to have palpable hepatomegaly and abnormal transaminases. She got an abdominal US that showed NAFLD possibly due to metabolic syndrome.

**Teaching Points (Ximena):**

-With CC we need to localize the pathology without forgetting of adjacent organs.

-Epigastric pain: esophagus, stomach, pancreas, biliary tract, aorta.

-Ruling out life threatening pathologies.

-Exposure → medications, surgeries

-An important detail is to determine the chronicity and frequency of the presenting symptoms (intermittent in this case)

-Migraine can be related to abdominal migrain and we can consider it even if it's an exclusion diagnosis.

-Palpable liver: liver disease, congestion, infiltration (mass), acute pathologies (viruses), abscesses.

Lymphocytic predominance can orient to malignancies, autoimmune diseases and infectious diseases (virus)

-This patient has risk factor to cardiac disease, so it's always good to check ecg and troponins in case this is an atypical MI presentation (women + mild respiratory distress).

-Less likely: hemochromatosis (can present with newly onset DM), NASH