



03/21/25 Morning Report with @CPSolvers



"One life, so many dreams" Case Presenter: Bahae (@) Case Discussants: Rabih (@rabihmgeha) and Jas (@JasBajwa18)

Scribing (Zakariyya)
CC: 48 yo female with a few months of epigastric discomfort and *postprandial fullness*.

HPI: Nausea but no vomiting. No melena or hematemesis. Decreased appetite and 3kg weight loss with anorexia.

ROS:

PMH: no liver disease, no GI bleed

Fam Hx: Mother w/ peptic ulcer disease, H pylori (+)

Soc Hx: city hall

Health-Related Behaviors: no alcohol, denies smoking and NSAIDs

Meds:

Allergies:

Vitals: BP: 130/135 RR: 16 HR:88 Sat: 96
Exam: Gen: *fatigued*
Abdominal: mild tenderness to palpation in the *epigastric* region , no rebound, no guarding, no hepatosplenomegaly
Neuro: normal
Dermatologic: no edema , no clubbing, no spider angioma

Notable Labs & Imaging:
Hematology: Platelets normal. Hb 10.5, MCV 78, MCH 24, Serum iron low, TIBC high, Ferritin Low.
Chemistry
Liver enzymes normal
Imaging:
AUS: normal - no ascites, no splenomegaly
Endoscopy: Erythematous gastric mucosa, mosaic pattern with *Gastropathy*
Non bleeding esophageal varices (grade 1)
Micro: H pylori stool Ag positive
Doppler U/S: No portal hypertension
Gastric biopsy: Antrum: H-pylori positive

Final Diagnosis: Gastritis secondary to H-pylori

Problem Representation: 48 yo female, prev well, now WITH subacute postprandial fullness and positive H.pylori on biopsy. EGD showed esophageal varices despite no evidence of Cirrhosis. *Vascular changes presumed to be secondary to chronic inflammation from H.Pylori.*

Teaching Points (Minahil):

-Approach to postprandial fullness:

DDx: PUD, functional dyspepsia, cholelithiasis, malignancy

Characterizing discomfort: acute vs subacute,

Acute: No dysfun at present, Subacute: may indicate underlying dysfun

Weight loss: calories out (malignancy/hypermetabolic state/chr infection) >calories in, postprandial pain/SBO affecting appetite

H.pylori:

- **I.GI manifestation:** dyspepsia/PUD/gastric malignancy (1. Adenocarcinoma 2. MALT) II. **Extraintestinal Association:** paraneoplastic phenomena, idiopathic thrombocytopenia
- **Labs** (preferred-anemia/hepatitis) vs **empiric Rx** (with follow up may be considered in high prevalence pop)
- **Testing for H.pylori:** Serologic Ab testing (i. detect exposure ii. cannot diff active from past infection) vs stool antigen, /urea breath test (i. detect active infection ii. diagnosis and eradication confirmation))

Imaging :

- **CT scan**-> evaluate structures beyond the lumen:
 - extramural pathology (masses) ,
 - retroperitoneal involvement (malignancy extension)
- **EGD**-> direct visualization of lumen:
 - detecting mucosal lesion-ulcer/gastritis/malignancy
 - biopsy sampling