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- The two common causes of gastric outlet obstruction are gastric cancer (see Gastric cancer) and pyloric stenosis secondary to peptic ulceration. With the decreasing incidence of peptic ulceration gastric outlet obstruction should be considered malignant until proven otherwise. In this circumstance the metabolic consequences may be somewhat different from those of benign pyloric stenosis because of the relative hypochlorhydria found in patients with gastric cancer.

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