**TABLE 1 : SMALL BOWEL GAS PATTERNS**

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| ***NORMAL BOWEL GAS PATTERN*** | ≤4 SMALL BOWEL LOOPS<2.5CM IN DIAMETER WITH NORMAL DISTRIBUTION OF GAS & FAECES IN A NONDISTENDED COLON |
| ***ABNORMAL BUT NON SPECIFIC BOWEL GAS PATTERN*** | AT LEAST 1 SB LOOP THAT IS BORDERLINE OR MILDLY DISTENDED [2.5 -3CM IN DIAMETER] WITH ≥ 2 AIR FLUID LEVELS ON ERECT /LATERAL DECUBITUS FILMS. COLON EITHER NORMAL CALIBRE OR BORDERLINE DISTENDED. MAY REPRESENT EITHER LOW GRADE SBO/ADYNAMIC ILEUS. MAY REQUIRE FURTHER EXAMINATION BY CT/BA ENTEROCLYSIS |
| ***PROBABLE SBO PATTERN*** | MULTIPLE GAS & FLUID FILLED DILATED SB LOOPS WITH MODERATE AMOUNT OF LARGE BOWEL GAS. MAY OCCUR IN EARLY COMPLETE SBO,PARTIAL HIGH GRADE SBO/ADYNAMIC ILEUS.PATIENT SHOULD UNDERGO CT WITH/OUT ENTEROCLYSIS |
| ***DEFINITE/UNEQUIVOCAL SBO (Fig 2)*** | DILATED FLUID FILLED SB LOOPS WITH A GASLESS COLON |