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A 65-year-old male patient with a long history of hypertension and a recent diagnosis of type 2 diabetes mellitus is being treated with lisinopril and metformin. He has been experiencing increasing fatigue and weakness over the past few weeks. His blood pressure is well-controlled at 130/80 mmHg. Laboratory tests show a hemoglobin level of 10 g/dL, a hematocrit of 30%, and a ferritin level of 100 ng/mL. The patient's diet is generally healthy but he has been eating less recently due to his symptoms. What is the most likely cause of his anemia?

- A. Iron deficiency anemia
- B. Vitamin B12 deficiency
- C. Folate deficiency
- D. Chronic kidney disease
- E. Hemolytic anemia

ANSWER: A

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