What factors are associated with de novo MECP2 mutations? For the "What caused this to happen?" section of the IACC strategic plan. Eileen Nicole Simon, PhD (Biochemistry), RN conradsimon.org, 11 Hayes Avenue, Lexington MA 02420-3521, (617) 512-0424

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Rett syndrome (autism variant) is associated with de novo mutations of the MECP2 gene.

What factors can cause such a mutation?

Parents of all children with Rett syndrome should be surveyed for their exposures to mutagens.

This should be included in the IACC strategic plan.

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