Rett syndrome was first described by Austrian pediatrician Andreas Rett in 1966. Huda Zoghbi demonstrated in 1999 that Rett syndrome is caused by mutations in the gene MECP2, a protein involved in chromatin remodeling and modulation of RNA splicing [1].

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