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While ready to treat the new theory as a hypothesis, he firmly believed in its ultimate triumph. No doubt, Timiriazev, like Darwin, thought that the future of the new theory would depend on the evidence produced by embryology, comparative anatomy, and related disciplines, as much, if not more, than on the data supplied by paleontology.

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In the Introduction to the Origin of Species Darwin acknowledged von Baer's pioneering contribution to evolutionary thought in biology. Without mentioning its title, Darwin referred specifically to von Baer's "Über Papuas und Alfuren," published in the fall of 1859 by the St. Petersburg Academy of Sciences, a few months before the publication of the Origin of Species .

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