

FOREWORD

This contribution to synthetic Embryology is neither a text-book nor a treatise. The author does not pretend to master in a few pages the huge amount of facts and ideas concerning the early stages of development. He thinks it necessary to select the data which appear most significant at the present time for a general comprehension of the ontogenetic problem. He hopes his work will be useful to young biologists who feel the holy enthusiasm for research and are anxious to decide in which way they could best direct their efforts.

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