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German physician, comparative anatomist, and physiologist whose name is immortalized in several of the anatomical entities he described, including the "Müllerian duct." Müller was a pioneer in applying the microscope to pathological research. His research on the effect of stimuli on the sense organs led to his Law of Specific Nerve Energies. His experiments on the direction of nerve impulses in spinal nerves confirmed the so-called Bell-Magendie Law and advanced understanding of reflex action. Many of Müller's pupils became outstanding scientists.