Often considered the founder of the field of clinical pharmacology, Dr. Lasagna was one of the first to study and describe the concept of the placebo response. In 1964, he wrote a modernized version of the Hippocratic Oath, emphasizing a holistic and compassionate approach to medicine. He greatly influenced how clinical trials are currently designed and conducted. During his lifetime, Dr. Lasagna personally influenced the lives of thousands of individuals around the world. His legacy continues to this day.

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