Several decades of his research resulted in a substantial number of basic and clinical research papers that provided stimuli for the widespread use of three different types of drugs blocking the RAA system: β-blockers, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors, and angiotensin II receptor blockers.

John H. Laragh has been a great inspiration to many researchers and clinicians, and his outstanding achievements led him to discoveries that were crucial to our current understanding of the RAA system and to the development of effective therapies of hypertension. A fundamental lesson of this creative work was that hypertension could no longer be regarded as a monolithic concept; rather, heterogeneous mechanisms must be taken into account when describing this condition and choosing appropriate therapies.

The career of John H. Laragh represented an enormous contribution, and thanks to his creative research, millions of people around the world have been protected from stroke and other cardiovascular complications.

The list of hypertension researchers who trained and published with John H. Laragh is spectacular. He made contribution to numerous organizations and will be remembered as a founder of the American Society of Hypertension and its first president. His long list of prestigious awards is also highly impressive.

John H. Laragh will be remembered for his innovative and truly pioneering research and leadership in the field of hypertension—he was widely recognized in the United States and across the world.