# On the Japanese Society for Patristic Studies and the *Patristica*

#### I JSPS AND THE PATRISTICA

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