P2SC-ROB-WR-335 - 20160822 Weekly report #335	P2SC Weekly report	* **** ****
Period covered: Date:	Mon Aug 22 to Sun Aug 28, 2016 02 Sep 2016	Royal Observatory of Belgium -
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1. Science

Solar & Space weather events

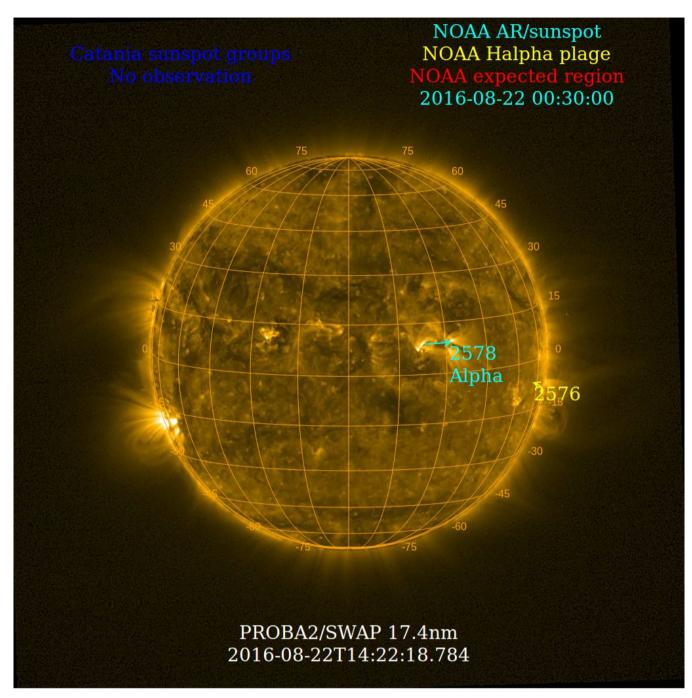
The level of solar activity¹ fluctuated between **very low** and **low** this week.

Only M- and X-flares are mentioned, the most energetic one(s) per day are presented in **bold**:

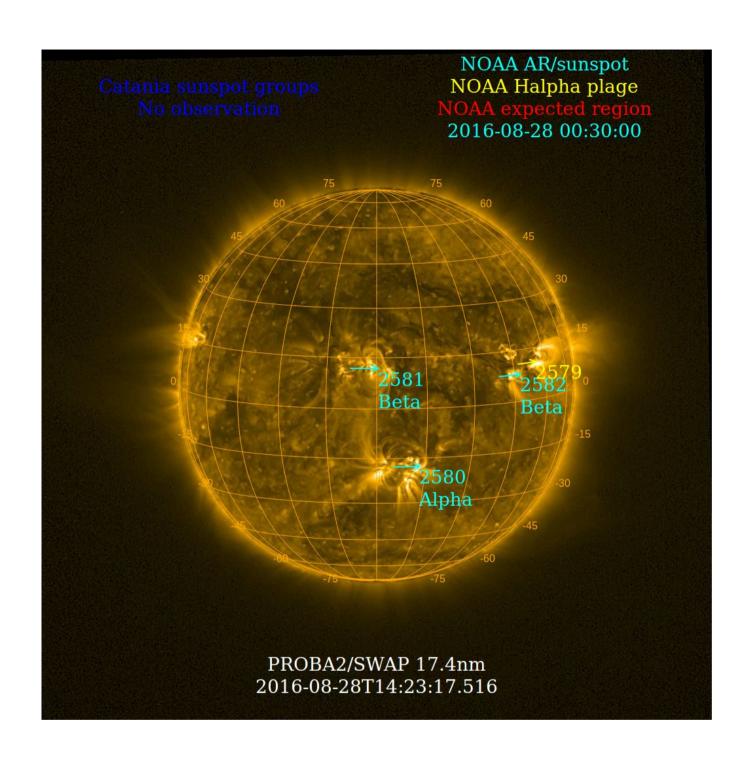
	Monday 22 Aug	Tuesday 23 Aug	Wednesday 24 Aug	Thursday 25 Aug	Friday 26 Aug	Saturday 27 Aug	Sunday 28 Aug
Activity	very low	very low	very low	very low	very low	very low	low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of Aug 22 and Aug 28 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



http://sidc.be/soteria/soteria.php



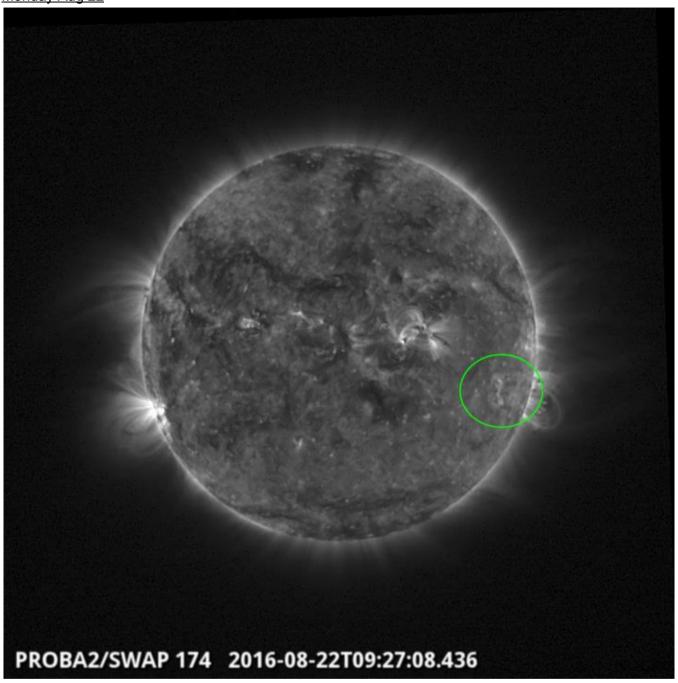
Solar Activity

Solar flare activity fluctuated between very low and low during the week. In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: http://proba2.oma.be/ssa
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 335).

Details about some of this week's events, can be found further below.

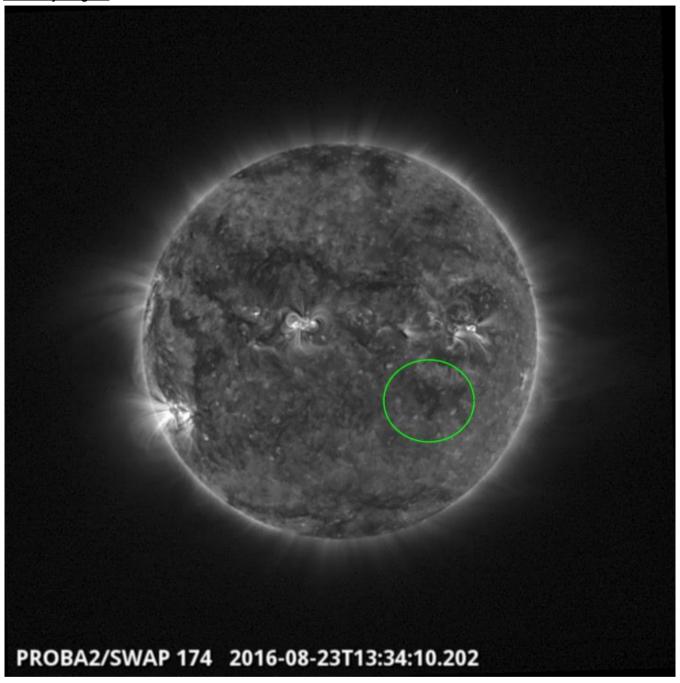
If any of the linked movies are unavailable they can be found in the P2SC movie repository here



An eruption was observed by SWAP in the western hemisphere of the Sun on 2016-Aug-22 at 09:27 UT

Find a movie of the event here (SWAP movie)

Tuesday Aug 23



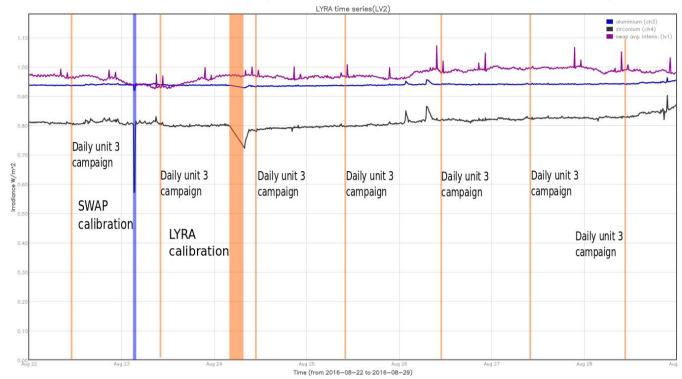
A coronal hole was observed by SWAP in western hemisphere of the Sun on 2016-Aug-23 at 13:34 UT, the associated High Speed Stream increased the ambient solar wind speed at Earth enhancing geomagnetic activity.

Find a movie of the event here (SWAP movie)

An overview of the weekly LYRA & SWAP data is provided below:

The following curves are visible:

- black: Zirconium Channel LYRA Unit 2
- blue: Aluminium Channel of LYRA Unit 2
- purple: SWAVINT (SWAP Average Intensity; integrated solar intensity per SWAP image pixel)



The blue shaded periods correspond to, from left to right:

Bi-weekly SWAP calibration, 2016-Aug-23

The orange shaded periods correspond to, from left to right:

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-22
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-23
- Bi-weekly calibration campaign, 2016-Aug-24
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-24
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-25
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-26
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-27
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-28

Outreach, papers, presentations, etc.

Please consult http://proba2.oma.be/science/publications for a list of interesting articles using SWAP & LYRA data, as well as a link to the complete article list.

The science section of this weekly report is also published in the weekly STCE newsletter (http://www.stce.be/newsletter/newsletter.php).

F. Goryaev, PROBA2 GI, presented his research using the SWAP instrument in the weekly PROBA2 meeting. The work is titled: "Study of properties of the inner corona and search of solar wind flows by illumination from backside solar flares."

Guest Investigator Program

• F. Goryaev SWAP Study of properties of the inner corona and search of solar wind flows by illumination from backside solar flares.

2. LYRA instrument status

Calibration

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

IOS & operations

Monday 22 Aug	Tuesday 23 Aug	Wednesday 24 Aug	Thursday 25 Aug	Friday 26 Aug	Saturday 27 Aug	Sunday 28 Aug
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + calibration	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3
LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576	LYIOS00576

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

• daily U3 observations campaign

On 2016-08-24

• Bi-weekly calibration campaign

LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 46.5 and 48.6 °C.

3. SWAP instrument status

Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 3644 to 3650.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
22 Aug	23 Aug	24 Aug	25 Aug	26 Aug	27 Aug	28 Aug
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition				
IOS00657	IOS00657	IOS00657	IOS00657	IOS00657	IOS00657	IOS00657
551 images	670 images	599 images	638 images	656 images	573 images	654 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

On 2016-Aug-23

• Bi-weekly calibration campaign

SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.2 and -0.6 °C.

4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator is Robbe Vansintjan.

The following changes were made to the P2SC:

None.

5. Data reception & discussions with MOC

Passes

The delivery of the passes for this week (passes 21558 to 21619) was nominal, except for:

None.

Data coverage HK

All HK data files (LYRA_AD) have been received, except:

None.

Data coverage SWAP

All SWAP Science data files (BINSWAP) have been received, except:

None.

Total number of images between 2016 Aug 22 0UT and 2016 Aug 29 0UT: 4341

Highest cadence in this period: 0 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 139.30 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 187

Largest data gap: 11.00 minutes

Data coverage LYRA

All LYRA Science data files (BINLYRA) have been received, except:

None

6. APPENDIX: Frequently used acronyms

ADPMS Advanced Data and Power Management System

AOCS Attitude and Orbit Control System

APS Active Pixel image Sensor

ASIC Application Specific Integrated Circuit

BBE Base Band Equipment CME Coronal Mass Ejection

COGEX Cool Gas Generator Experiment

CRC Cyclic Redundancy Check
DAC Data Acquisition Controller

DBR Deployment, backup & recovery
DDA Decommutated data archive
ESP Experimental Solar Panel

FITS Flexible Image Transport System

FOV Field Of View FPA Focal Plane Assembly

FPGA Field Programmable Gate Arrays

GPS Global Positioning System

HK Housekeeping

IOS Instrument Operations Sheet

LED Light Emitting Diode

LYRA LYman alpha RAdiometer

LYTMR LYRA Telemetry Reformatter (software module of P2SC)

LYRA Engineering Data Generator (software module of P2SC)

MCPM Mass Memory, Compression and Packetisation Module

MOC Mission Operation Center NDR Non Destructive Readout

OBSW On board Software
PI Principal Investigator
P2SC PROBA2 Science Center
ROB Royal Observatory of Belgium

SAA South Atlantic Anomaly
SEU Single Event Upset

SoFAST | Solar Feature Automated Search Tool

SWAP Sun Watcher using APS detector and image Processing

SWAVINT | SWAP AVerage INTensity

SWBSDG | SWAP Base Science Data Generator

SWEDG SWAP Engineering Data Generator (software module of P2SC)
SWTMR SWAP Telemetry Reformatter (software module of P2SC)

TBC To Be Confirmed
TBD To Be Defined
TC Telecommand

UTC Coordinated Universal Time

UV Ultraviolet

VFC Voltage to Frequency Converter

7. APPENDIX Solar Activity Definitions

In the science section we use the following solar activity standards.

The standard scale for solar activity is:

- very low (almost no flares, only B)
- low (a few C flares)
- moderate (many C flares and at least an M flare)
- high (several M flares and an X flare)
- very high (continuous background of C flares, numerous M flares, more than one X flare)