P2SC-ROB-WR-117- 20120618 Weekly report #117	P2SC Weekly report	* **** ****
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1. Science

Solar & Space weather events

<u>Overview</u>

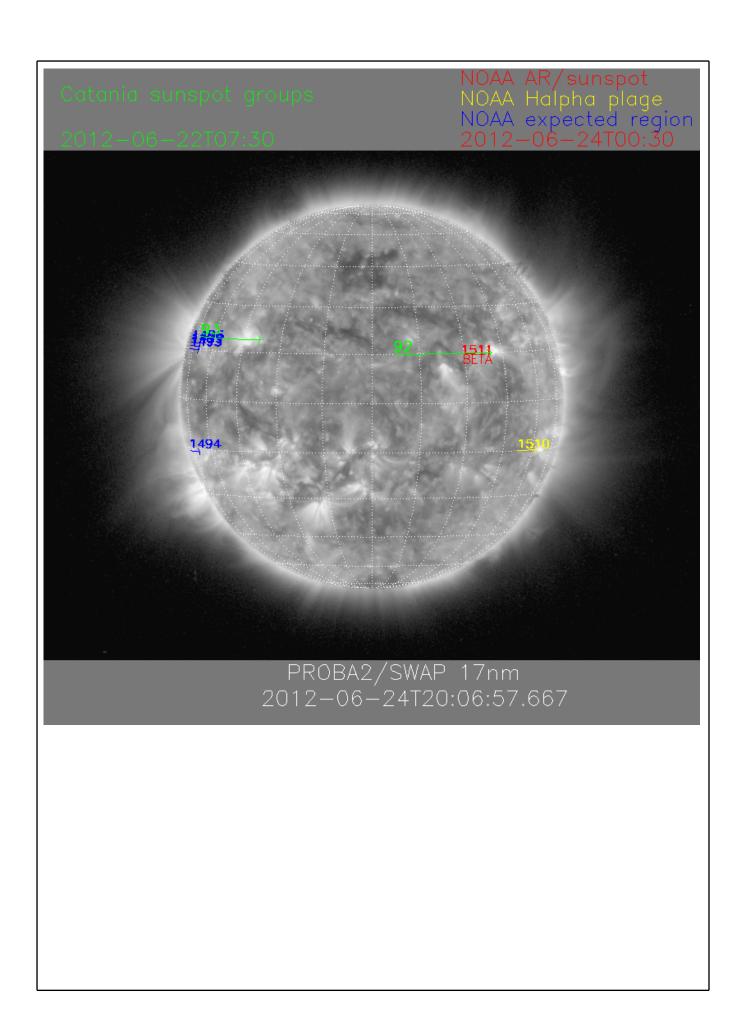
The level of solar activity this week¹ and associated M- and X-flares (if any):

	Monday 18 Jun	Tuesday 19 Jun	Wednesday 20 Jun	Thursday 21 Jun	Friday 22 Jun	Saturday 23 Jun	Sunday 24 Jun
Activity	low	low	low	very low	very low	low	very low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of Jun 18 and Jun 24 are shown below, with annotated active regions. PROBA2/SWAP 17nm 2012-06-18T20:16:44.286

http://sidc.be/html/CmapPage.html

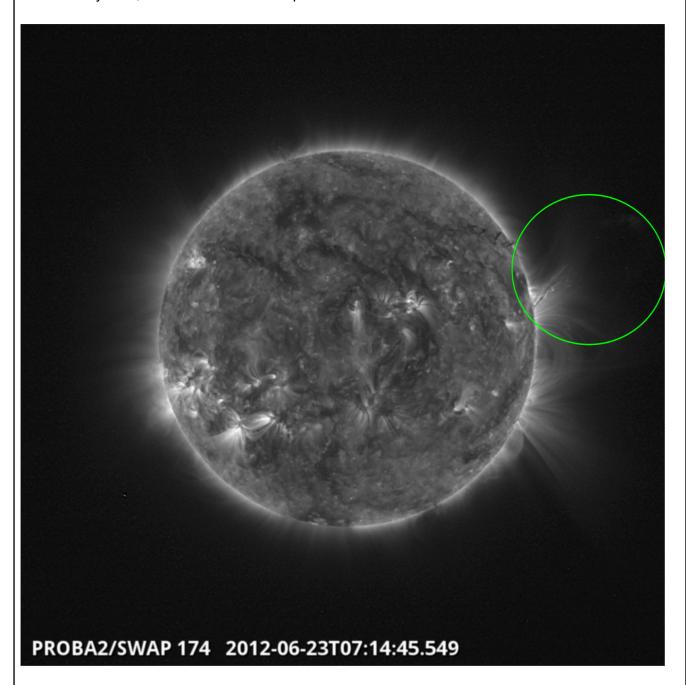


Solar Activity

This week, the Sun's activity level was *low* to *very low*. Only flares of B- to C-type were recorded.

During the last days of the week, solar EUV/SXR irradiance - as observed by GOES and by LYRA channels 3 and 4 (see the week-overview below) - has dropped rapidly, below levels observed since at least September 2011.

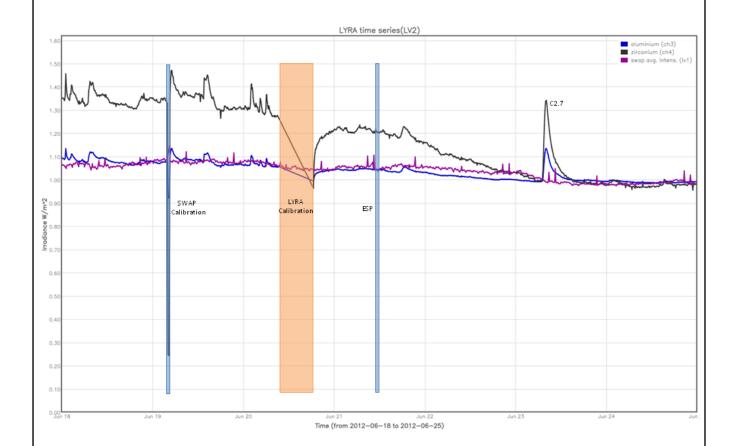
On Saturday 23rd, a beautiful filament eruption associated to a C2.7 flare occurred on the NW limb:



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 (solar intensity derived from 'integrated' SWAP images)



The blue shaded periods correspond to, from left to right, LYRA data acquisition campaigns for.

- SWAP calibration
- ESP campaign support (SWAP data gap)

The orange shaded periods correspond to, from left to right, LYRA data acquisition campaigns for:

- LYRA Calibration.

The red shaded period corresponds to:

- none.

Scientific campaigns

The following LYRA and SWAP specific scientific campaigns have been performed this week:

- Daily LYRA Unit 3 campaign

Outreach, papers, presentations, etc.
- none.

2. LYRA instrument status

Calibration

Calibration of LYRA on Wednesday.

IOS & operations

Monday 18 Jun	Tuesday 19 Jun	Wednesday 20 Jun	Thursday 21 Jun	Friday 22 Jun	Saturday 23 Jun	Sunday 24 Jun
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
LYIOS00250	LYIOS00250	LYIOS00250	LYIOS00251	LYIOS00251	LYIOS00251	LYIOS00251

The following LYRA campaign was performed this week:

- Daily Unit 3 campaign (on Mon, Thu, Fri).
- Calibration on Wednesday.

LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature fluctuated between 45.3 and 46.2 during nominal operations.

To be explored

3. SWAP instrument status

Calibration

SWAP calibration on Tuesday.

MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 1272 to 1381.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors is still 0.

IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
18 Jun	19 Jun	20 Jun	21 Jun	22 Jun	23 Jun	24 Jun
Nominal acquisition						
IOS00401	IOS00402	IOS00402	IOS00402	IOS00402	IOS00402	IOS00402
563 images	671 images	682 images	611 images	655 images	506 images	550 images

The following specific SWAP campaign was performed this week:

- None

SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature fluctuated between -0.72 and -1.70 degrees Celsius, under nominal operations.

To be explored

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4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator is Koen Stegen.

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 8172 to 8234) was nominal, except for:

- none

Data coverage HK

All HK data files (LYRA AD) have been received, except for:

- none.

Data coverage SWAP

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

- none

All SWAP Science data files (BINSWAP) have been processed successfully, except for:

- BINSWAP_8228 - Corrupted first packet

Total number of images between 2012 Jun 18 0UT and 2012 Jun 25 0UT: 4258

Highest cadence in this period: 30 seconds Average cadence in this period: 142.04 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 1

Largest data gap: 34.33 minutes

Data coverage LYRA

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

- none

6. APPENDIX Frequently used acronyms

ADP	Ancillary Data Processor
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
DR	Destructive Readout
DSLP	Dual Segmented Langmuir Probe
EIT	Extreme ultraviolet Imaging Telescope
FITS	Flexible Image Transport System
FOV	Field Of View FPA Focal Plane Assembly
FPGA	Field Programmable Gate Arrays

^{*} Following a first delivery on Sunday 24th, LYRA_AD_8229 was regenerated at and resend by Redu, on Monday 25th.

GPS Global Positioning System
HAS High Accuracy Star tracker

HK Housekeeping

ICD Interface Control Document
IIU Instrument Interface Unit
IOS Instrument Operations Sheet

LED Light Emitting Diode
LEO Low Earth Orbit

LYRA LYman alpha RAdiometer

LYTMR LYRA Telemetry Reformatter (software module of P2SC)
LYEDG LYRA Engineering Data Generator (software module of P2SC)

MCPM Mass Memory, Compression and Packetisation Module

MOC
NDR
OBET
OBSW

Non Destructive Readout
On board Elapsed Time
On board Software
Proximity Electronics

PGA Programmable Gain Amplifier

PI Principal Investigator
P2SC PROBA2 Science Center

PPT Pointing, Positioning and Time (software module of P2SC)

ROB Royal Observatory of Belgium

SAA South Atlantic Anomaly
SEU Single Event Upset

SOHO Solar and Heliospheric Observatory

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

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) (+ extreme?)