P2SC-ROB-WR-118- 20120625 Weekly report #118	P2SC Weekly report	***  ***
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# 1. Science

## Solar & Space weather events

## <u>Overview</u>

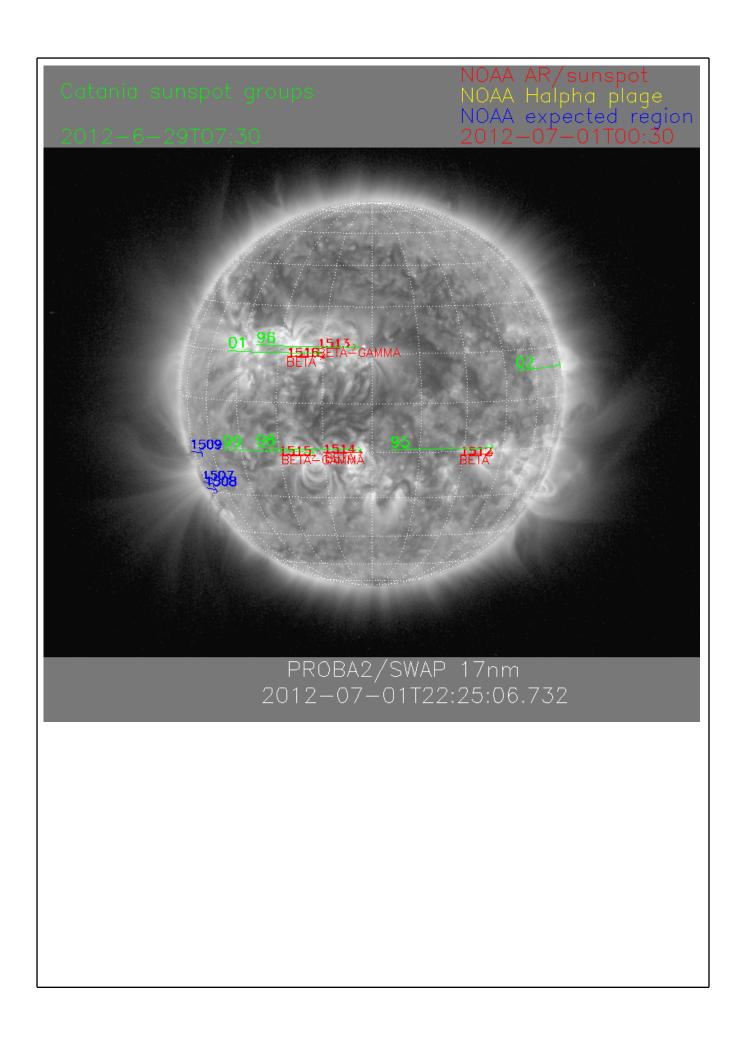
The level of solar activity this week<sup>1</sup> and associated M- and X-flares (if any):

	Monday 25 Jun	Tuesday 26 Jun	Wednesday 27 Jun	Thursday 28 Jun	Friday 29 Jun	Saturday 30 Jun	Sunday 01 Jul
Activity	low	low	low	moderate	moderate	moderate	moderate
Flares	-	-	-	M2.4@16:07	M2.2@09:13	M1.0@12:48 M1.6@18:26	M2.8@19:11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of Jun 25 and Jul 01 are shown below, with annotated active regions. PROBA2/SWAP 17nm 2012-06-25T22:3<mark>2:59.208</mark>

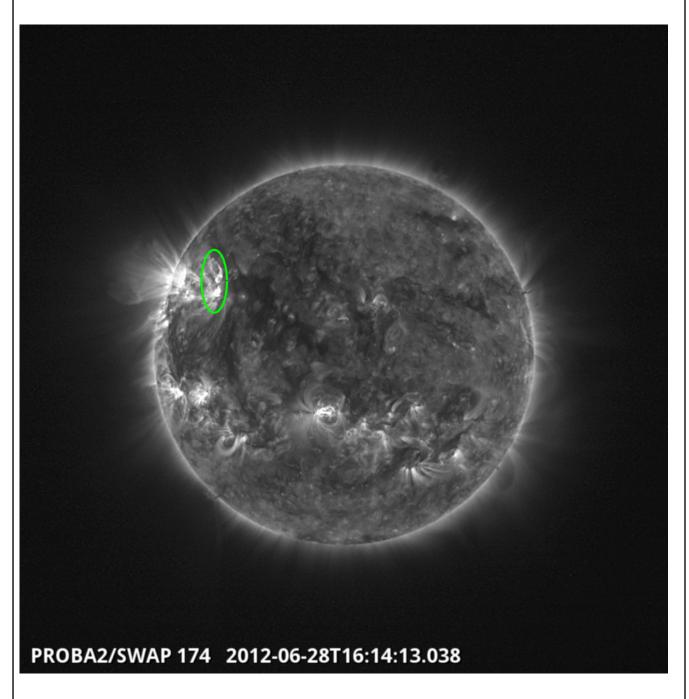
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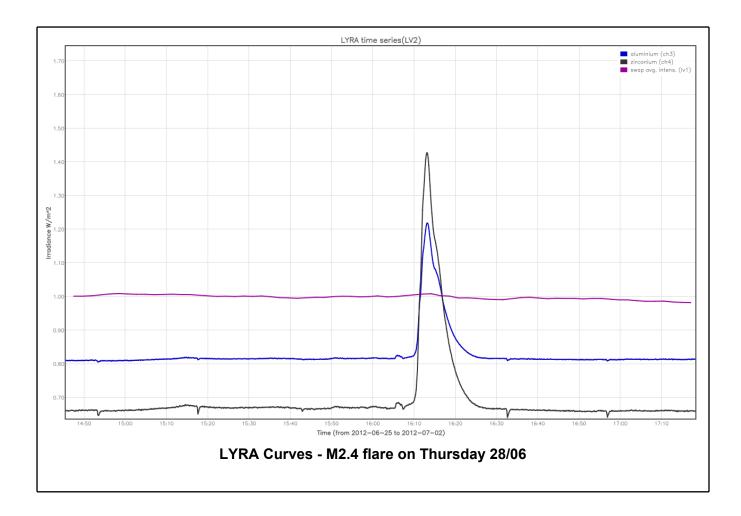
## **Solar Activity**

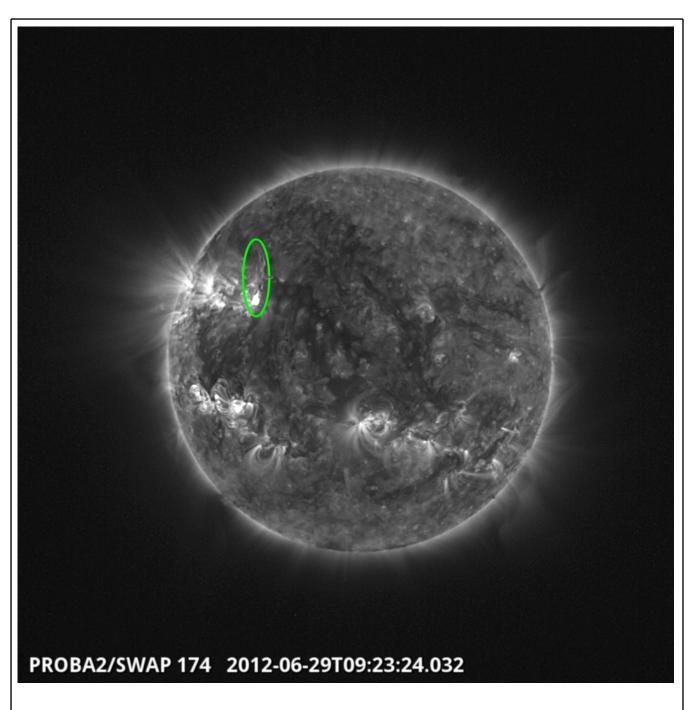
This week, the Sun's activity level went from \*low\* early in the week up to \*moderate\* from Thu on until the end of the week.

5 M-level flares occurred during the last 4 days of the week - SWAP pictures and LYRA curves below:

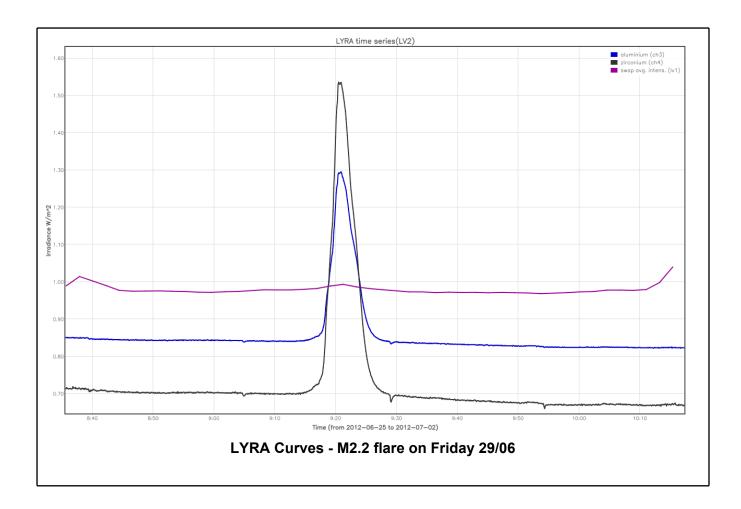


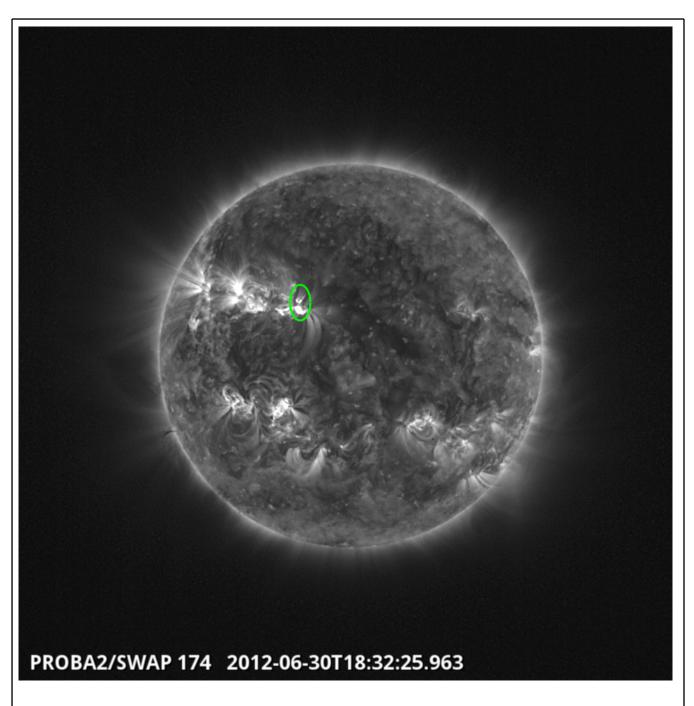
SWAP Image - M2.4 flare on Thursday 28/06



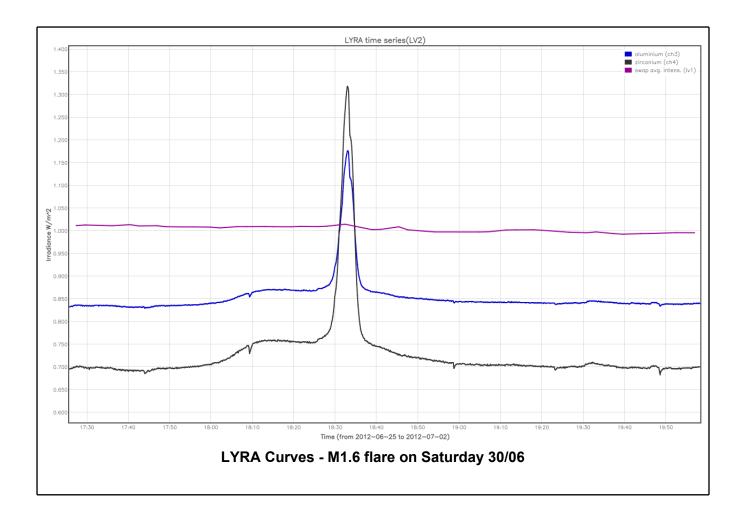


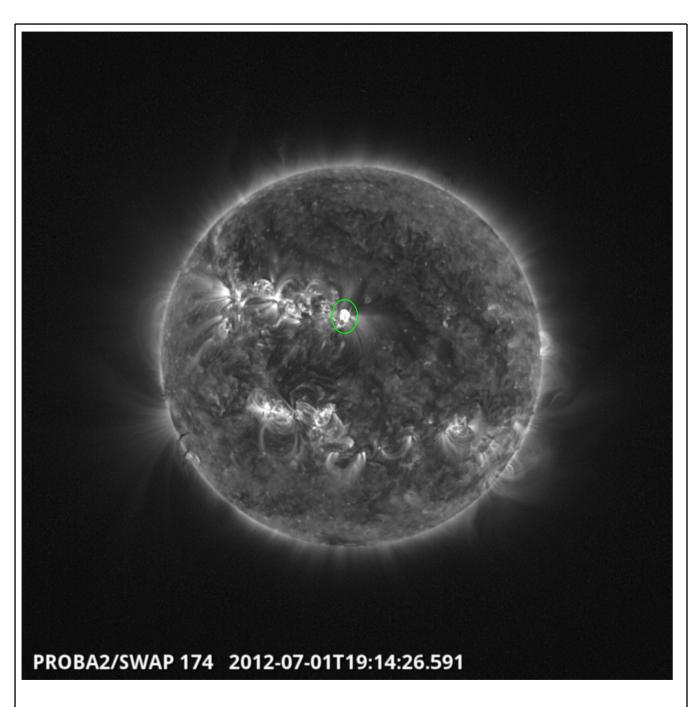
SWAP Image - M2.2 flare on Friday 29/06



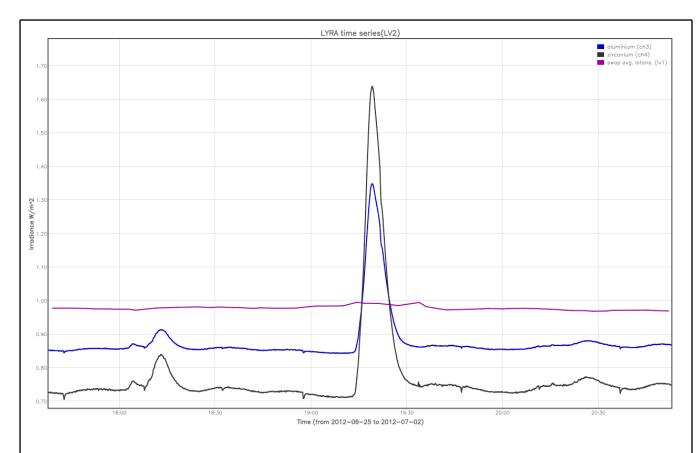


SWAP Image - M1.6 flare on Saturday 30/06





SWAP Image - M2.8 flare on Sunday 01/07

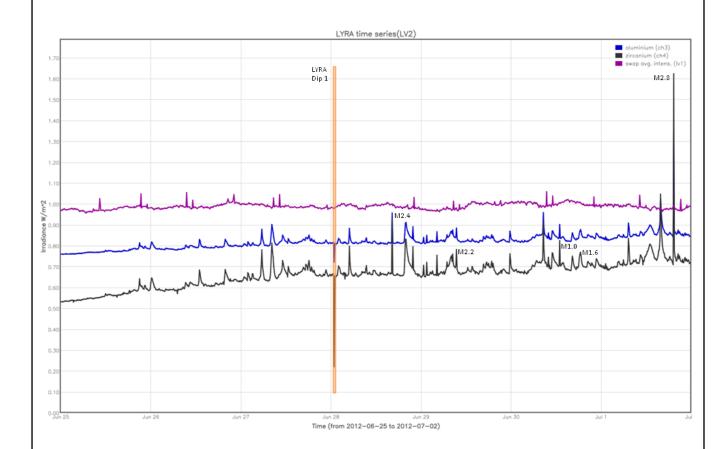


LYRA Curves - M2.8 flare on Sunday 01/07

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, SWAP data acquisition campaigns for.

- None

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

- Unexpected and previously undetected LYRA dip, which occurred when a LAR was executed on 28/06, during which the Sun moved out of the LYRA field of view. 2 other such dips were identified (1 bigger, longer duration one on 26/06 at 17:57, and 1 very small on 28/06 at 09:57) - the latter are not shown on the figure above.

The red shaded period corresponds to:

- none

This week, a leap second was introduced on June 30th. The introduction went as follows:

- 23:59:59
- 23:59:60
- 00:00:00

## Scientific campaigns

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

- Daily LYRA Unit 3 campaign

## Outreach, papers, presentations, etc.

On June 27-29, the ESA <u>Mission Extension Operations Review</u> took place at ESTEC. PROBA2 took part in this review with a proposal for extension up to, and including 2016. Three presentations were given:

- Etienne Tilmans presented the PROBA2 Operations Report including the status of spacecraft, payload and ground station.
- Anik De Groof presented the status of the instrument operations and the science outcome
- Joe Zender presented the mission management overview, including operations planning & commanding, data processing & distribution, staffing and funding.

## 2. LYRA instrument status

#### Calibration

No calibration this week.

#### IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25 Jun	26 Jun	27 Jun	28 Jun	29 Jun	30 Jun	01 Jul
Nominal	Nominal	Nominal	Nominal	Nominal	Nominal	Nominal
acquisition +	acquisition +	acquisition +				
daily U3	daily U3	daily U3				
LYIOS00252	LYIOS00252	LYIOS00252	LYIOS00252	LYIOS00252- >253	LYIOS00253	LYIOS00253

The following LYRA campaign was performed this week:

- Daily Unit 3 campaign (7/7)

### LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature fluctuated between 45.3 and 46.1 during nominal operations.

### To be explored

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## 3. SWAP instrument status

## Calibration

No calibration this week.

#### **MCPM** errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 1381 to 1583.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors is still 0.

### **IOS & operations**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25 Jun	26 Jun	27 Jun	28 Jun	29 Jun	30 Jun	01 Jul
Nominal acquisition						
IOS00402						
587 images	671 images	682 images	556 images	603 images	548 images	514 images

The following specific SWAP campaign was performed this week:

- None

The weekly ESP campaign was not performed.

## **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature fluctuated between -1.06 and -1.84 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 8235 to 8284) 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\_8265 - Corrupted first packet

Total number of images between 2012 Jun 25 0UT and 2012 Jul 02 0UT: 4096

Highest cadence in this period: 130 seconds Average cadence in this period: 147.62 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 0

No ESP campaign this week.

### **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** Extreme ultraviolet Imaging Telescope EIT **FITS** Flexible Image Transport System

**FOV** 

Field Of View FPA Focal Plane Assembly **FPGA** Field Programmable Gate Arrays

**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

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

**MCPM** Mass Memory, Compression and Packetisation Module

MOC Mission Operation Center **NDR** Non Destructive Readout **OBET** On board Elapsed Time **OBSW** On board Software PE **Proximity Electronics** 

PGA Programmable Gain Amplifier

ы 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

Sun Watcher using APS detector and image Processing **SWAP** 

**SWAVINT SWAP AVerage INTensity** 

SWAP Base Science Data Generator SWBSDG

**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?)