P2SC-ROB-WR- 173- 20130715 Weekly report #173	P2SC Weekly report	**** ****
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1. Science

Solar & Space weather events

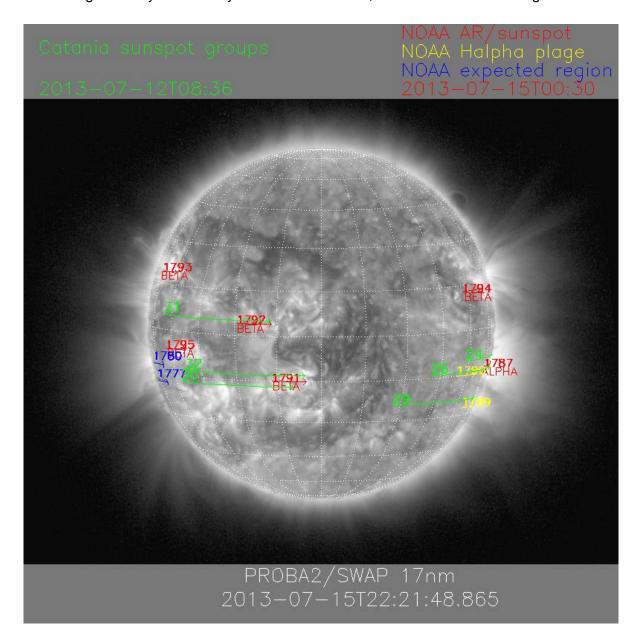
The level of solar activity¹ this week was **low to very low** throughout the week.

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

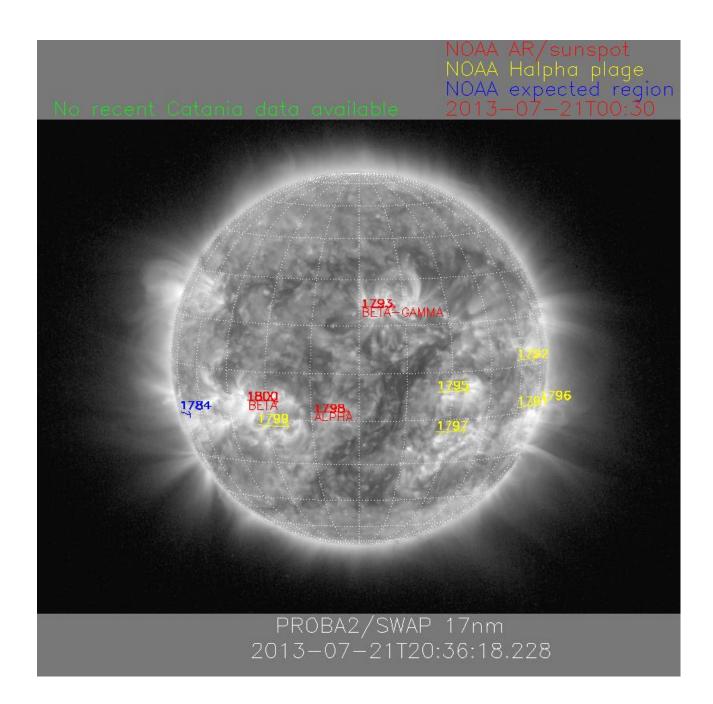
	Monday 15 Jul	Tuesday 16 Jul	Wednesday 17 Jul	Thursday 18 Jul	Friday 19 Jul	Saturday 20 Jul	Sunday 21 Jul
Activity	low	low	low	low	very low	low	low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of July 15 and July 21 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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



Solar Activity

Solar (flaring) activity was low to very low throughout the week.

In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest going 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 (SWAP174/AIA304 combination; HelioViewer.org).

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

Thursday July 18th:



Prominence Eruption on South West limb @ 08:34 - SWAP difference image Find a movie of the event <u>here</u> (SWAP difference movie)

Saturday July 20th:



Prominence Eruption on North West Limb @ 14:46 - SWAP difference image Find a movie of the event here (SWAP difference movie)

Sunday July 21th:



Prominence Eruption on East limb and eruption in South East Quadrant @ 08:39
- SWAP difference image

Find a movie of the event here (SWAP difference movie)



Prominence Eruption on North West Limb @ 21:54 - SWAP difference image Find a movie of the event here (SWAP difference movie)

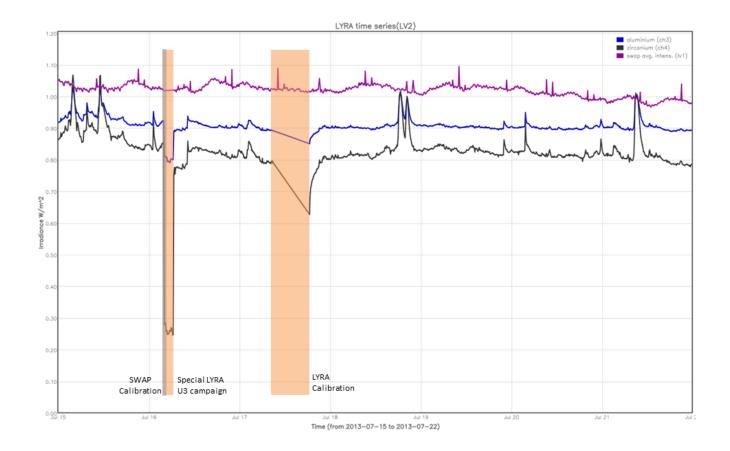
An overview of the weekly LYRA & SWAP data is provided below:

The following curves are visible:

• black: Zirconium Channel LYRA Unit 2

• blue: Aluminium Channel of LYRA Unit 2

• purple: SWAVINT (solar intensity derived from 'integrated' SWAP images)



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

SWAP calibration

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

- LYRA U3 campaign on Tuesday
- LYRA calibration

The red shaded period corresponds to:

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).

Guest Investigator Program

 Nandita Srivastava (SWAP/LYRA) - Role of eruptive filaments/prominences in initiation and propagation of CMEs in heliosphere using SWAP & LYRA Observations: (from June 20 to July 23)

2. LYRA instrument status

Calibration

Calibration on Wednesday this week.

IOS & operations

Monday 15 Jul	Tuesday 16 Jul	Wednesday 17 Jul	Thursday 18 Jul	Friday 19 Jul	Saturday 20 Jul	Sunday 21 Jul
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + special U3 campaign	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + calibration	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3
LYIOS00335	LYIOS00336	LYIOS00336	LYIOS00336	LYIOS00336	LYIOS00336	LYIOS00336

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- daily U3 observations campaign
- special U3 observation campaign during the SWAP calibration off-point period, followed by a 2 hours period of U3 while re-centered on the Sun.

LYRA U3 cover did not close properly, i.e. in an inconsistent state, i.e. 'open' and 'closed' from its daily commanded overture on Sunday 21st to its daily commanded closure on Monday 22nd. There was no need for an 'operational' intervention by the operator.

LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 46.2 and 47.7 degrees C, taking into account the daily U3 activation periods; the latter result in a temperature increase of about 0.6 degrees C. During the special (U3) campaign on Tuesday, temperature rose to 49.1 degrees. During calibration temperature decreased to 45.4 degrees.

To be explored

3. SWAP instrument status

Calibration

Calibration on Tuesday this week.

MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 9639 to 9920.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 1127.

IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
15 Jul	16 Jul	17 Jul	18 Jul	19 Jul	20 Jul	21 Jul
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition				
IOS00469	IOS00470	IOS00470	IOS00470	IOS00470	IOS00470	IOS00470
514 images	561 images	610 images	588 images	575 images	567 images	556 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

None.

SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.60 and -0.72 degrees C. During the LYRA special campaign on Tuesday, temperature of SWAP rose slightly up to around 0.50 degrees.

To be explored

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 11542 to 11602) was nominal, except for:

None

At the end of pass 11577, a bad data reception period occurred, resulting in the loss of 5 images.

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 2013 Jul 15 0UT and 2013 Jul 22 0UT: 4024

Highest cadence in this period: 0 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 150.29 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 13

Largest data gap: 11.67 minutes

Data coverage LYRA

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

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 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)
LYEDG 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

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
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)