


P2SC-ROB-WR-269 - 20150518 Weekly report #269	<b>P2SC Weekly report</b>	
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## 1. Science

### Solar & Space weather events

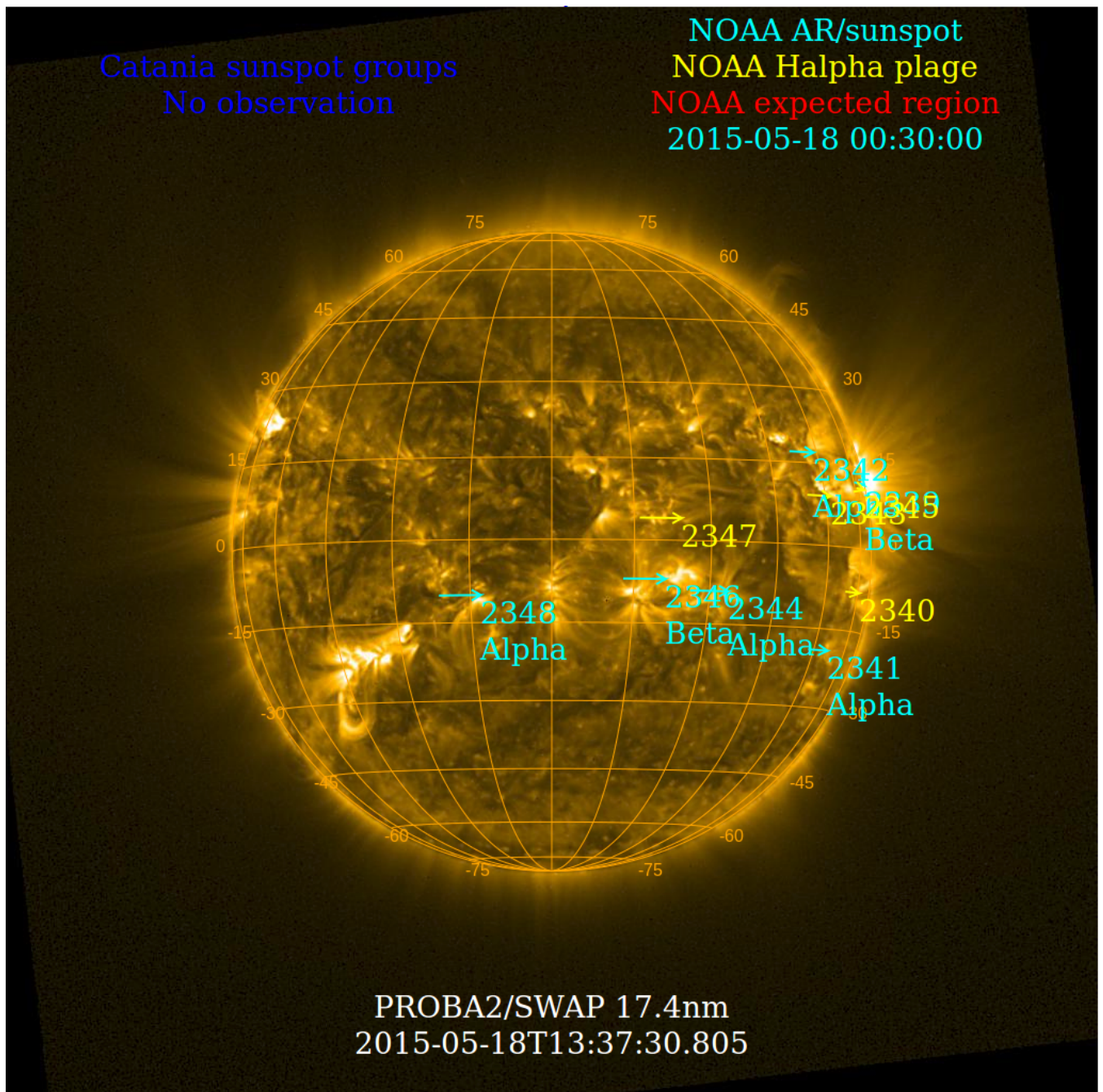
The level of solar activity<sup>1</sup> fluctuated between **very low** and **low** this week.

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

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

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

The SWAP images of May 18 and May 24 are shown below, with annotated active regions.

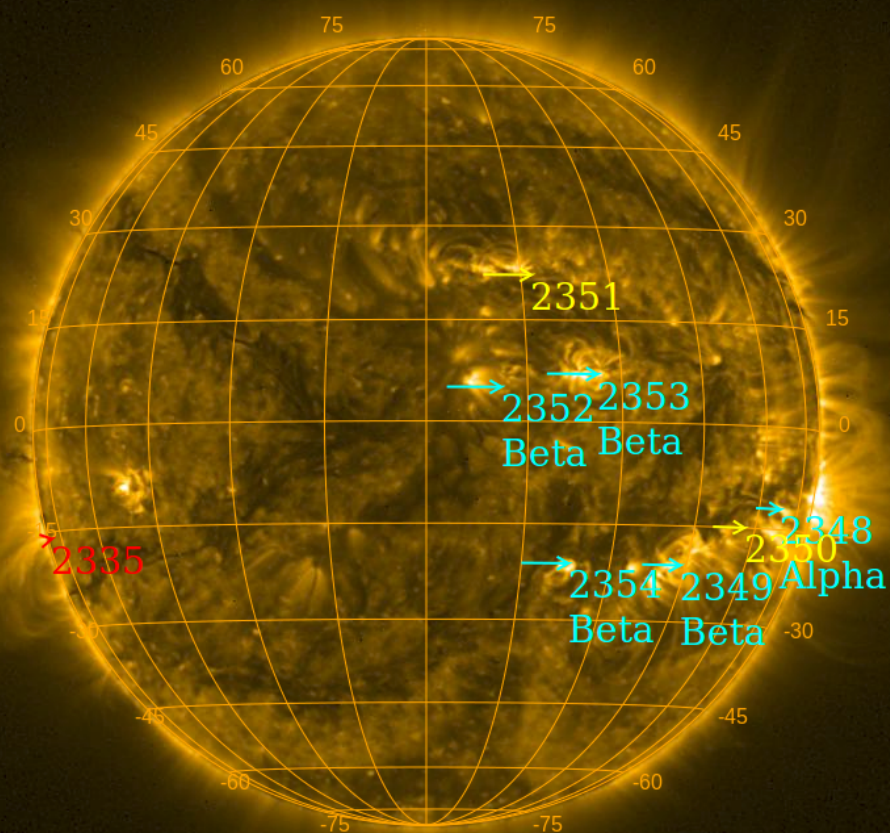


<http://sidc.be/soteria/soteria.php>

Go back 27 days

Catania sunspot groups  
No observation

NOAA AR/sunspot  
NOAA Halpha plage  
NOAA expected region  
2015-05-24 00:30:00



PROBA2/SWAP 17.4nm  
2015-05-24T13:37:07.478



## Solar Activity

Solar flare activity fluctuated between very low and low during the week.

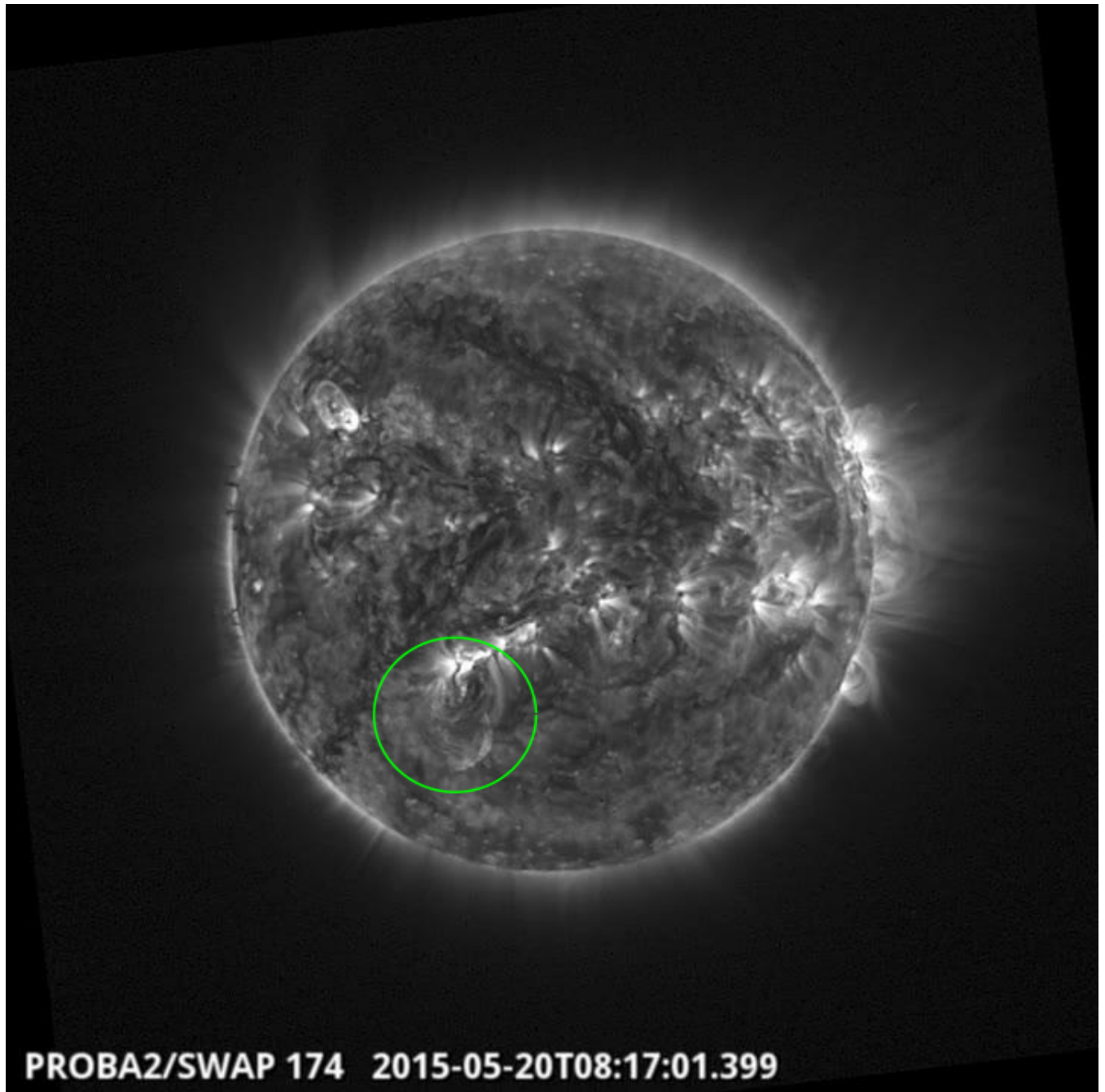
In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest going to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <http://proba2.oma.be/ssa>

This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found [here](#) (SWAP week 269).

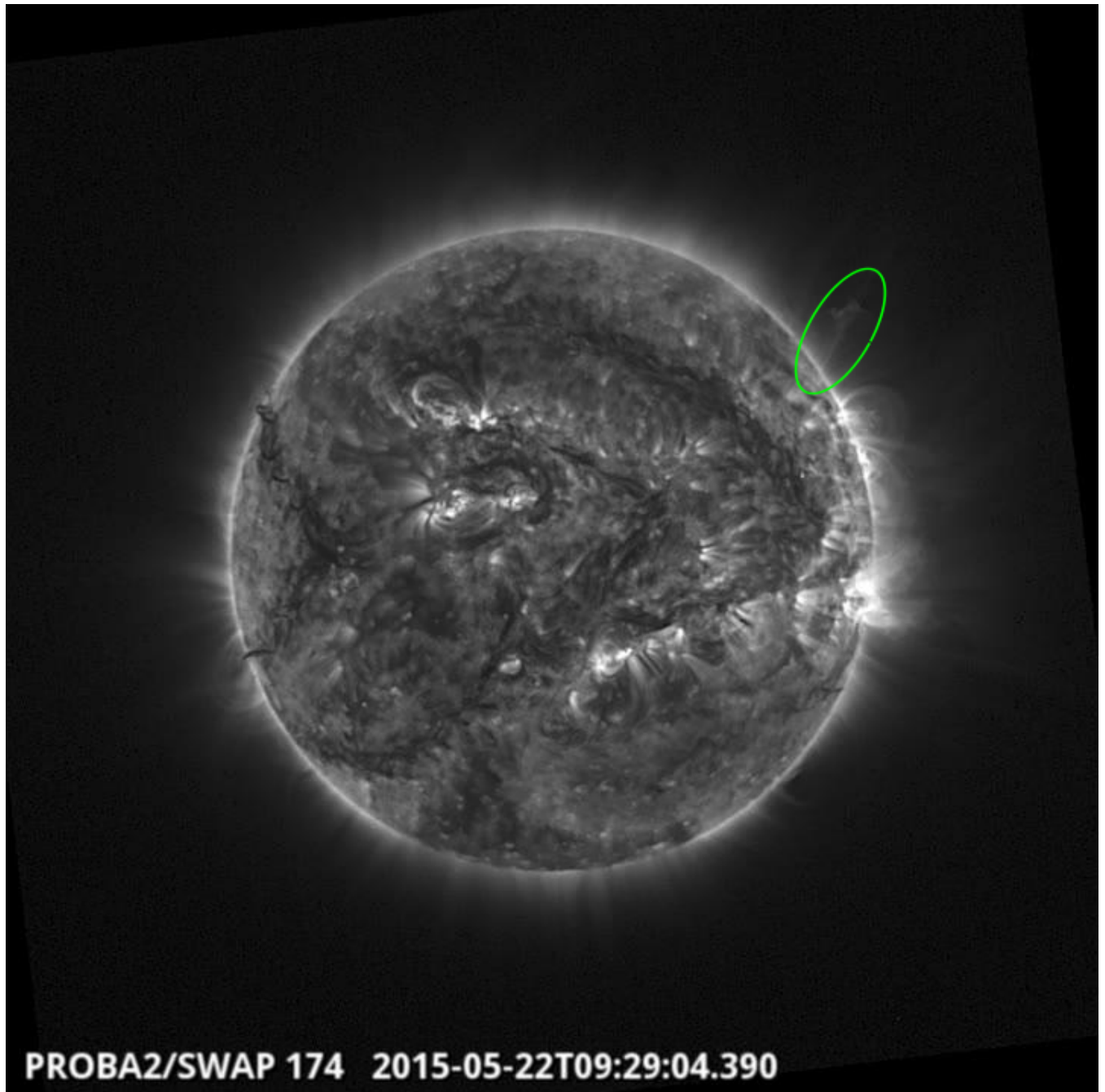
Details about some of this week's events, can be found further below.

Wednesday May 20



**Failed eruption on the southeast quadrant @ 08:17 - SWAP image**  
Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie)

Friday May 22

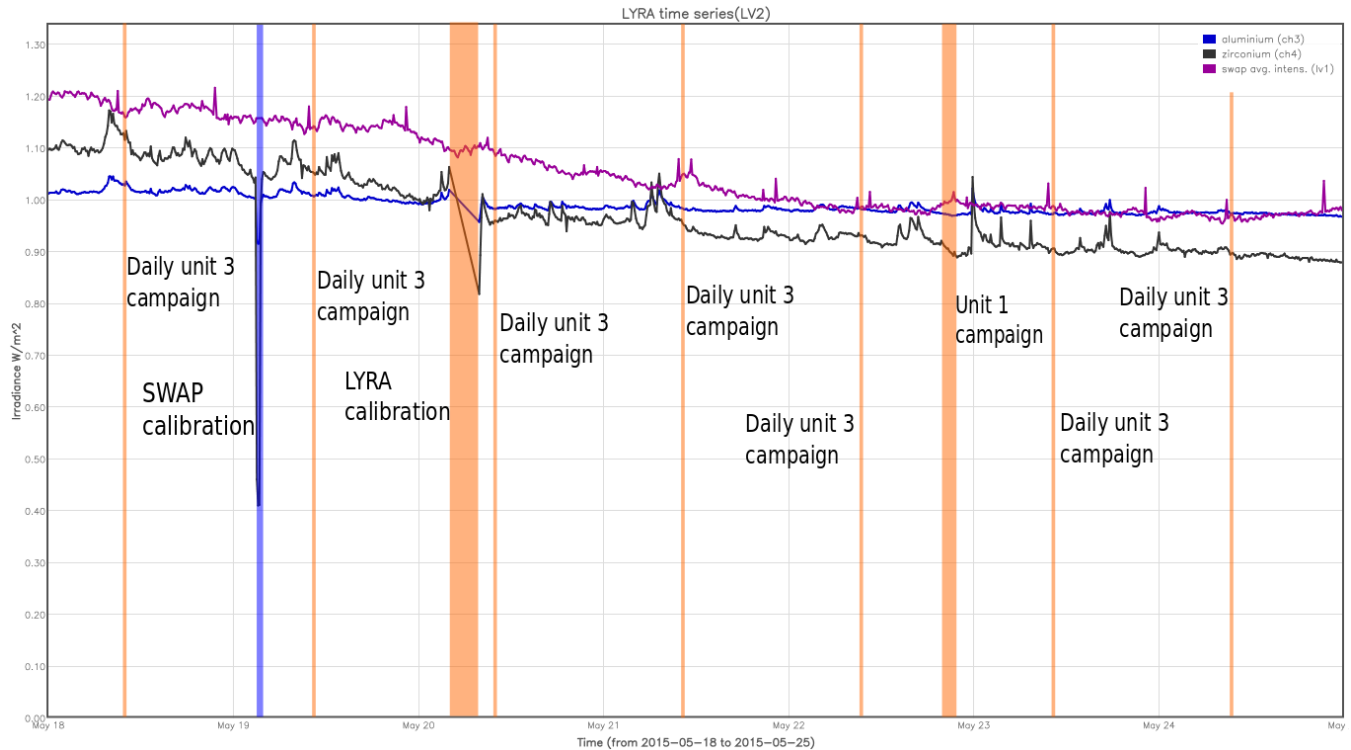


Eruption on the west limb @ 09:29 - SWAP image  
Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie)

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, 2015-05-19

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

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-18
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-19
- bi weekly LYRA calibration, 2015-05-20
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-20
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-21
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-22
- Unit 1 campaign, 2015-05-22
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-23
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-05-24

## **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>).

- M. West presented "SWAP & IRIS observations of post flare loops" at the IRIS-4 workshop, Boulder, Colorado, USA
- M. West gave a seminar titled "PROBA2 some Interesting Observations" at the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration in Boulder, Colorado, USA

## **Guest Investigator Program**

- None



## 2. LYRA instrument status

### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

### IOS & operations

Monday 18 May	Tuesday 19 May	Wednesday 20 May	Thursday 21 May	Friday 22 May	Saturday 23 May	Sunday 24 May
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + calibration	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + monthly U1	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3
LYIOS00471	LYIOS00471	LYIOS00471	LYIOS00471	LYIOS00472	LYIOS00472	LYIOS00472

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- daily U3 observations campaign
- bi-weekly calibration
- monthly unit 1 campaign

### LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 46.1 and 48.7 °C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

#### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

#### MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 192 to 211.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

#### IOS & operations

Monday 18 May	Tuesday 19 May	Wednesday 20 May	Thursday 21 May	Friday 22 May	Saturday 23 May	Sunday 24 May
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
IOS00576 655 images	IOS00576 680 images	IOS00576 670 images	IOS00576 695 images	IOS00576 713 images	IOS00576 699 images	IOS00576 646 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

- bi-weekly calibration

#### SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.4 and -0.1 °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 17408 to 17467) 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 2015 May 18 0UT and 2015 May 25 0UT: 4758

Highest cadence in this period: 30 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 127.11 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 14

Largest data gap: 8.33 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
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
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)