P2SC-ROB-WR-275 - 20150629 Weekly report #275	P2SC Weekly report	* **** ****
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1. Science

Solar & Space weather events

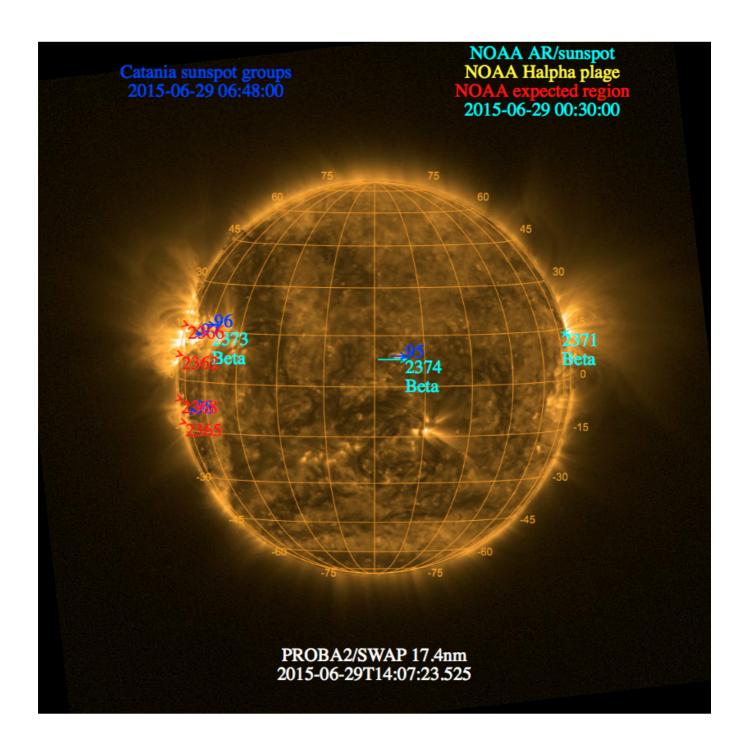
The level of solar activity¹ fluctuated between **very low** and **moderate** this week.

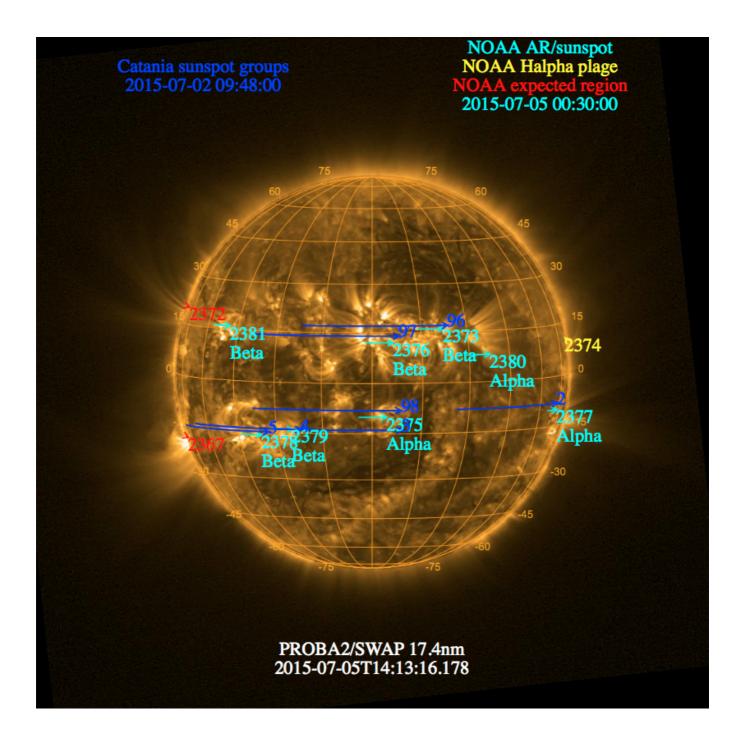
Only M- and X-flares are mentioned, the most energetic one(s) per day are presented in **bold**:

	Monday 29 Jun	Tuesday 30 Jun	Wednesday 01 Jul	Thursday 02 Jul	Friday 03 Jul	Saturday 04 Jul	Sunday 05 Jul
Activity	low	low	low	low	moderate	low	very low
Flares	-	-	-	-	M1.5@12h51	-	-

¹ See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of Jun 29 and Jul 05 are shown below, with annotated active regions.





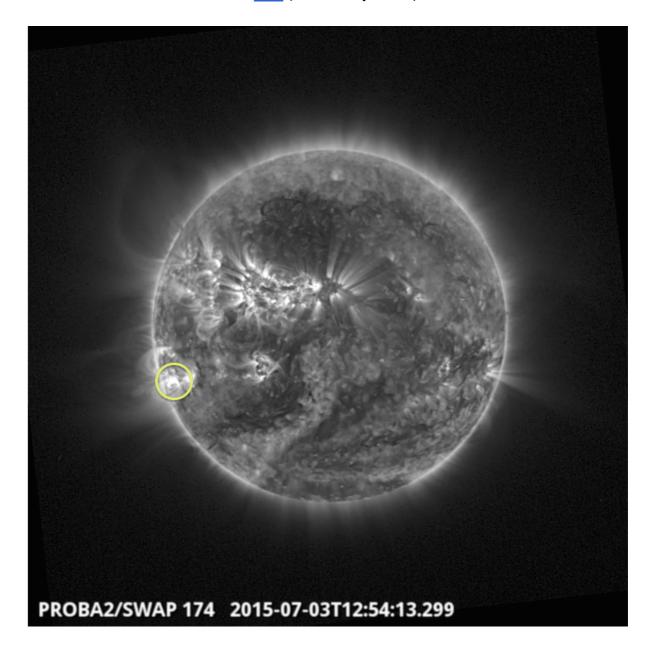
Solar Activity

Solar flare activity fluctuated between very low and moderate 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.

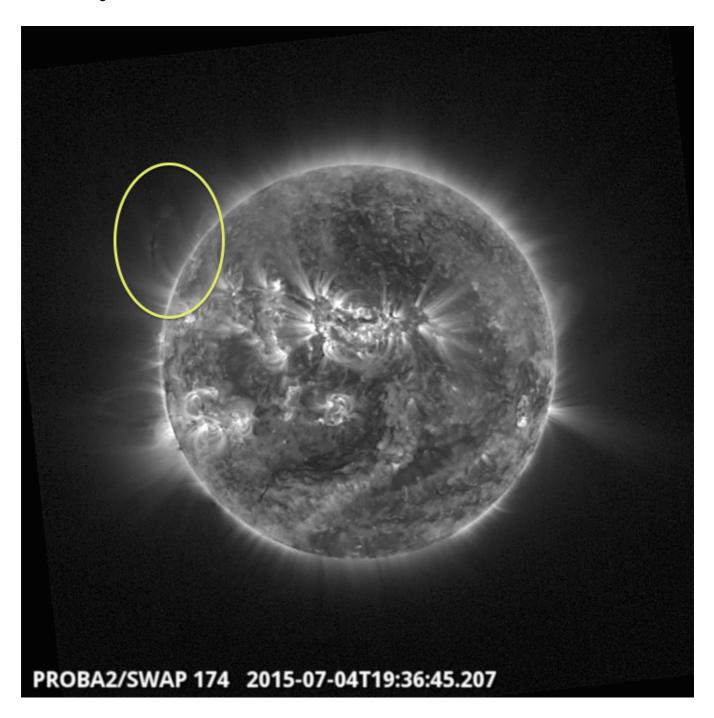
A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 275).

Details about some of this week's events:

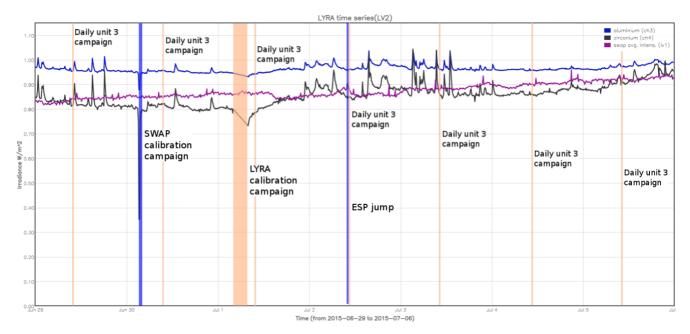
One strong flare occurred this week: on July 3rd, AR 2378 produced an M1.5 peaking around 12h51. Below we provide an annotated SWAP image indicating the location of this flare on the solar disk. A movie of this event can be found here (SWAP daily movie).



Throughout the week there were a series of prominence eruptions emerging from the north-east of the Sun, these eruptions were seen as a series of CMEs in LASCO coronagraph data. The source region was beyond the solar disk and all these events were backsided. An example was on 2015-Jul-04 19:36 UT. See image 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:

- SWAP bi-weekly calibration campaign on 2015-06-30
- ESP jump on 2015-07-02

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

- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-06-29
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-06-30
- LYRA short bi-weekly calibration on 2015-07-01
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-07-01
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-07-02
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-07-03
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-07-04
- LYRA daily U3 campaign on 2015-07-05

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).

On Tuesday June 30th, the P2SC organised a SWT meeting in the Meridian room at the Royal Observatory of Belgium. Several presentations pertaining to PROBA2 were presented. The minutes of the meeting can be found here: http://proba2.oma.be/SWT11

Guest Investigator Program

None

2. LYRA instrument status

Calibration

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

IOS & operations

Monday 29 Jun	Tuesday 30 Jun	Wednesday 01 Jul	Thursday 02 Jul	Friday 03 Jul	Saturday 04 Jul	Sunday 05 Jul
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
LYIOS00481	LYIOS00481	LYIOS00481	LYIOS00481	LYIOS00482	LYIOS00482	LYIOS00482

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- Daily unit 3 observation campaigns
- Bi-weekly calibration on 2015-07-01 at 04:00

LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 47.10 and 48.36 °C.

3. SWAP instrument status

Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 91 to 124.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained 0.

IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 Jun	30 Jun	01 Jul	02 Jul	03 Jul	04 Jul	05 Jul
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + ESP jump	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
IOS00587	IOS00587	IOS00587	IOS00587	IOS00587	IOS00587	IOS00587
570 images	594 images	692 images	648 images	695 images	657 images	528 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

- Bi-weekly calibration on 2015-06-30 at 03:00
- ESP jump on 2015-07-02 at 10:00

SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -0.01 and -1.21 °C.

4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator is Katrien Bonte.

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 17781 to 17845) 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 Jun 29 0UT and 2015 Jul 06 0UT: 4384

Highest cadence in this period: 30 seconds Average cadence in this period: 137.90 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 220

Largest data gap: 35.83 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)
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)