P2SC-ROB-WR-284 - 20150831 Weekly report #284	P2SC Weekly report	**** <u>****</u>
Period covered: Date:	Mon Aug 31 to Sun Sep 06, 2015 09 Sep 2015	Royal Observatory of Belgium -
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# 1. Science

# Solar & Space weather events

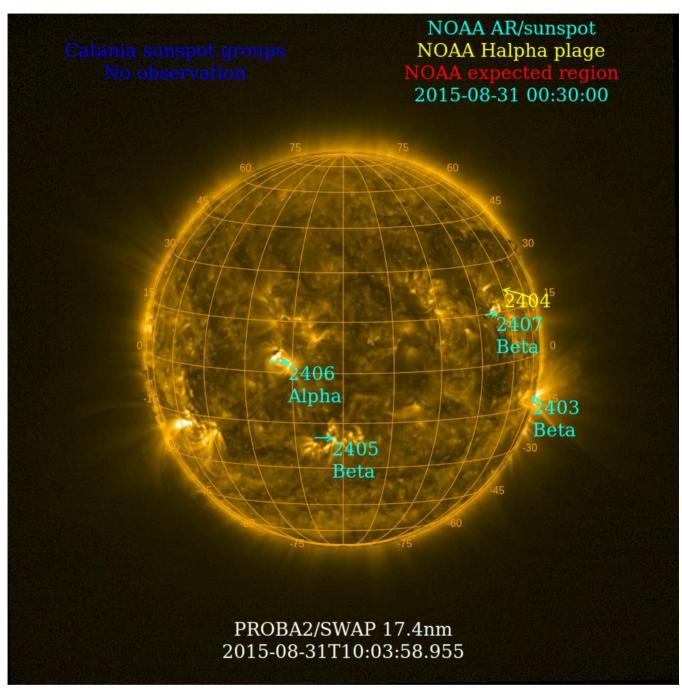
The level of solar activity¹ fluctuated between **very low** and **low** this week.

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

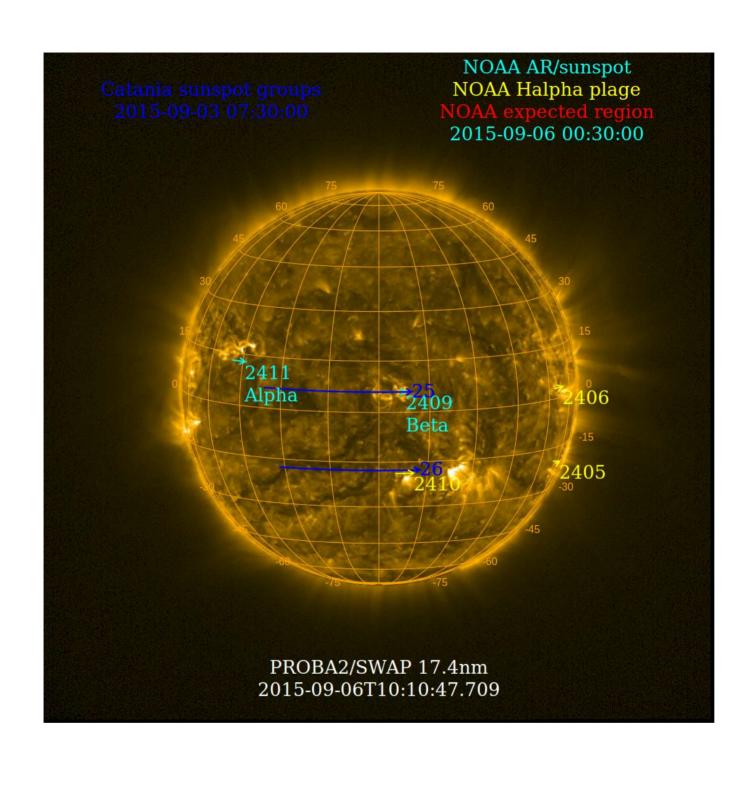
	Monday 31 Aug	Tuesday 01 Sep	Wednesday 02 Sep	Thursday 03 Sep	Friday 04 Sep	Saturday 05 Sep	Sunday 06 Sep
Activity	low	very low	very low	low	very low	very low	very low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

The SWAP images of Aug 31 and Sep 06 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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

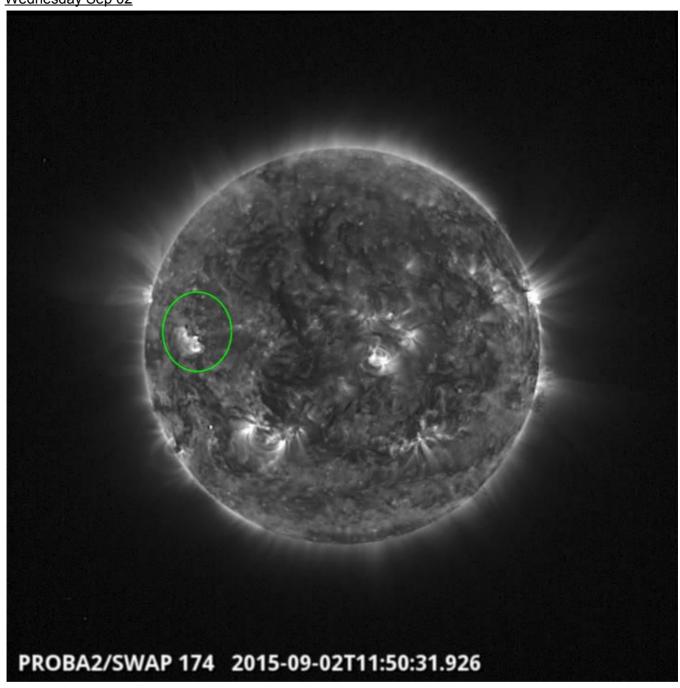


## **Solar Activity**

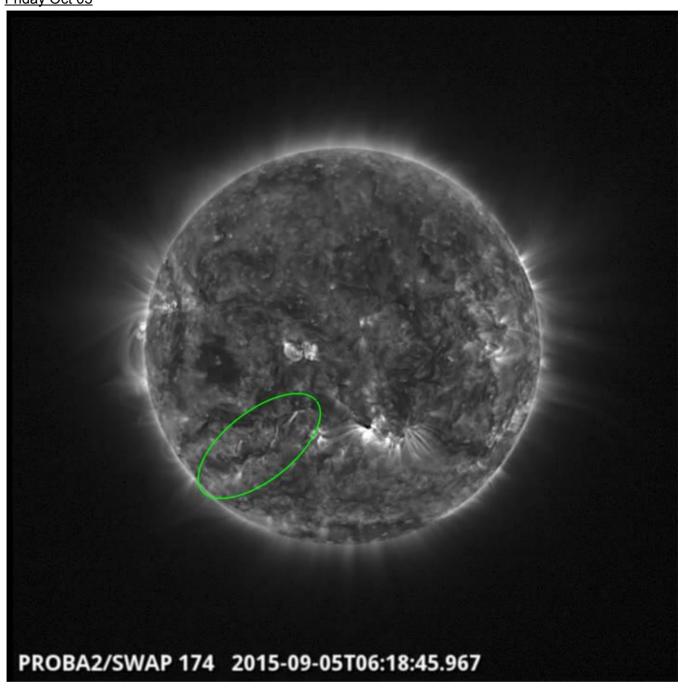
Solar flare activity fluctuated between very low and low during the week. In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <a href="http://proba2.oma.be/ssa">http://proba2.oma.be/ssa</a>
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 284).

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



Dimming in the East @ 11:50 UT on 02-Sep-2015 - SWAP image Find a movie of the event <u>here</u> (SWAP movie)

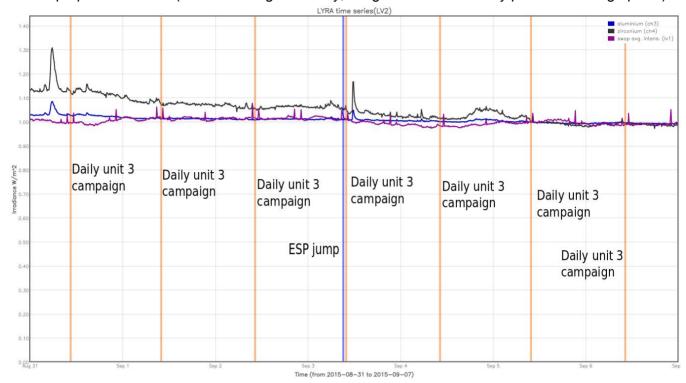


Flows in the south east @ 06:18 UT on 05-Sep-2015 - SWAP image Find a movie of the event <u>here</u> (SWAP movie)

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:

SWAP ESP jump, 2015-09-03

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

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-08-31
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-01
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-02
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-03
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-04
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-05
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-09-06

## Outreach, papers, presentations, etc.

Please consult <a href="http://proba2.oma.be/science/publications">http://proba2.oma.be/science/publications</a> 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 (<a href="http://www.stce.be/newsletter/newsletter.php">http://www.stce.be/newsletter/newsletter.php</a>).

## **Guest Investigator Program**

None

# 2. LYRA instrument status

## Calibration

No calibration this week.

# IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
31 Aug	01 Sep	02 Sep	03 Sep	04 Sep	05 Sep	06 Sep
Nominal						
acquisition +						
daily U3						
LYIOS00490	LYIOS00490	LYIOS00490	LYIOS00490	LYIOS00491	LYIOS00491	LYIOS00491

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

• daily U3 observations campaign

## LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 47.8 and 48.61 °C.

## 3. SWAP instrument status

## Calibration

No calibration this week.

#### **MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 135 to 136.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

## **IOS & operations**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
31 Aug	01 Sep	02 Sep	03 Sep	04 Sep	05 Sep	06 Sep
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + ESP jump	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
IOS00593	IOS00593	IOS00593	IOS00593	IOS00594	IOS00594	IOS00594
666 images	620 images	593 images	685 images	691 images	601 images	594 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

• ESP jump

## **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.04 and -0.4 °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 18342 to 18401) 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 Aug 31 0UT and 2015 Sep 07 0UT: 4450

Highest cadence in this period: 110 seconds Average cadence in this period: 135.90 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 168

Largest data gap: 33.67 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)