P2SC-ROB-WR-307 - 20160208 Weekly report #307	P2SC Weekly report	**** <u>***</u>
Period covered: Date:	Mon Feb 08 to Sun Feb 14, 2016 17 Feb 2016	Royal Observatory of Belgium -
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# 1. Science

# Solar & Space weather events

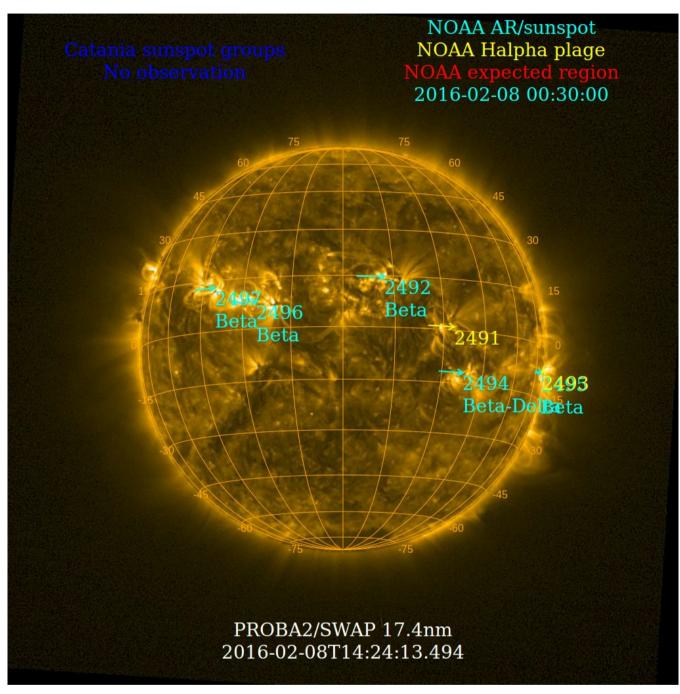
The level of solar activity<sup>1</sup> fluctuated between **low** and **moderate** this week.

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

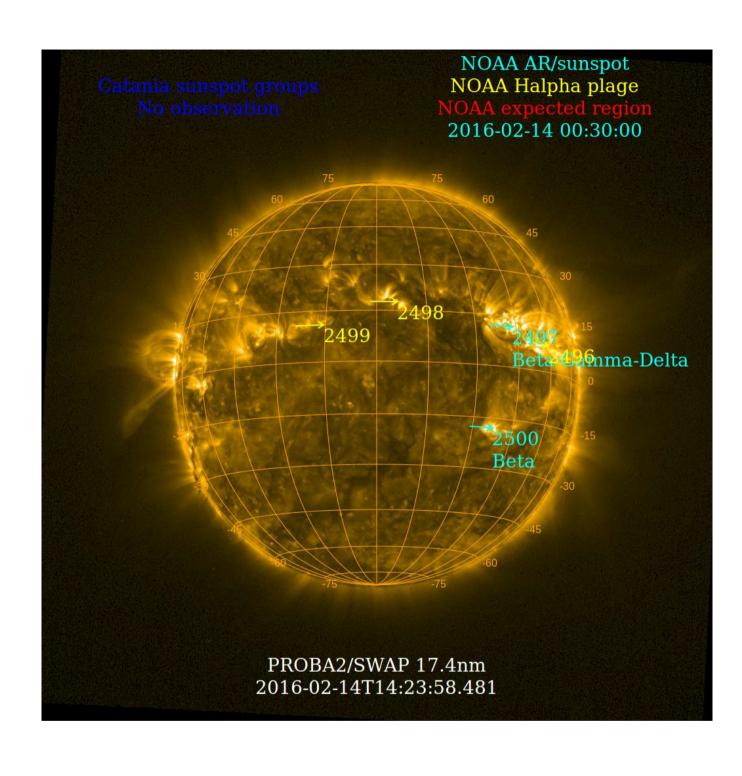
	Monday 08 Feb	Tuesday 09 Feb	Wednesday 10 Feb	Thursday 11 Feb	Friday 12 Feb	Saturday 13 Feb	Sunday 14 Feb
Activity	low	low	low	low	moderate	moderate	moderate
Flares	-	-	-	-	M1.0@10:47	M1.8@15:24	M1.0@19:26

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

The SWAP images of Feb 08 and Feb 14 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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

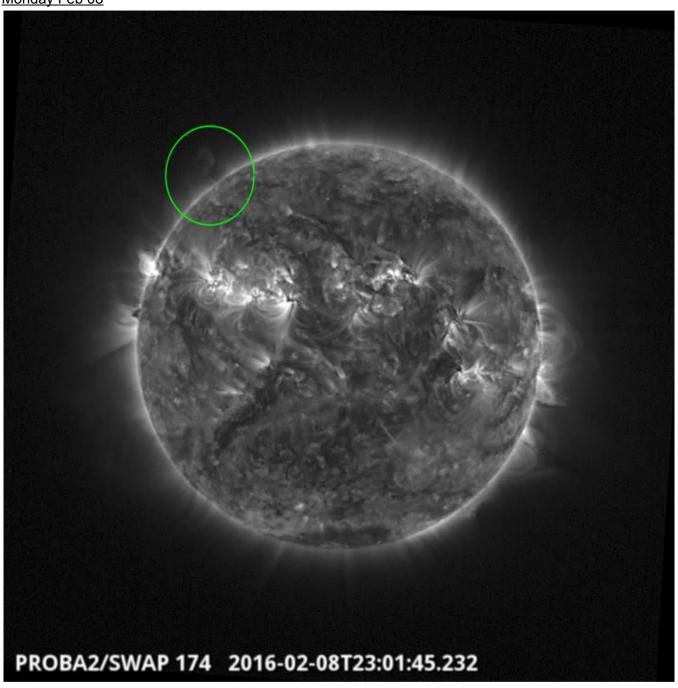


## **Solar Activity**

Solar flare activity fluctuated between 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: <a href="http://proba2.oma.be/ssa">http://proba2.oma.be/ssa</a>
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

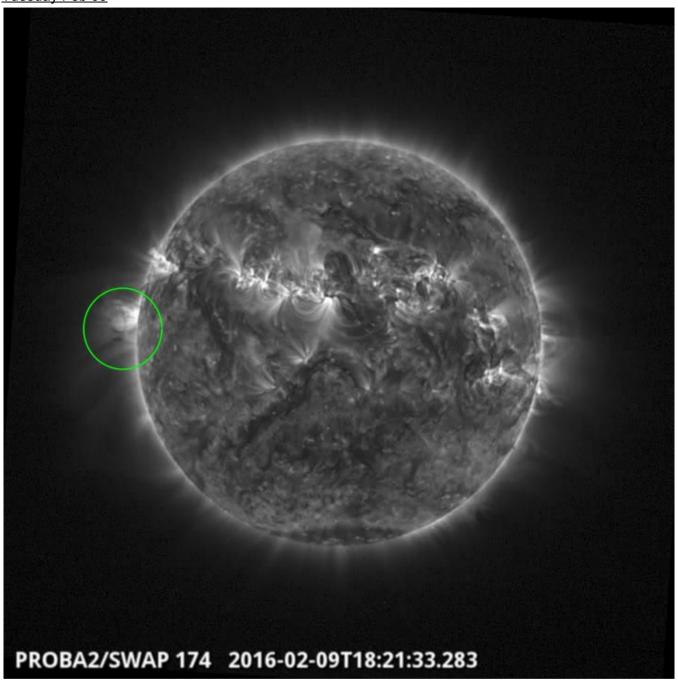
A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 307).

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



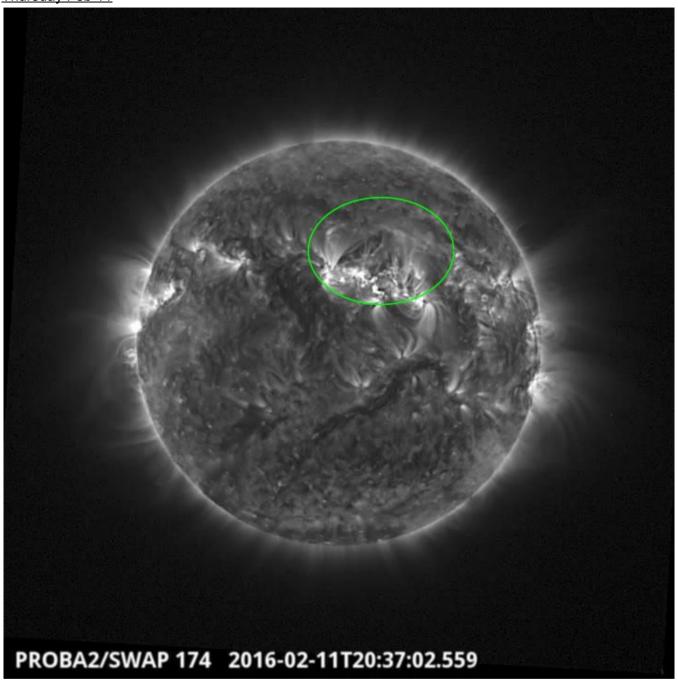
There was an eruption observed by SWAP in the North East at 23:01 UT on 08-Feb-2016 Find a movie of the events <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

## Tuesday Feb 09



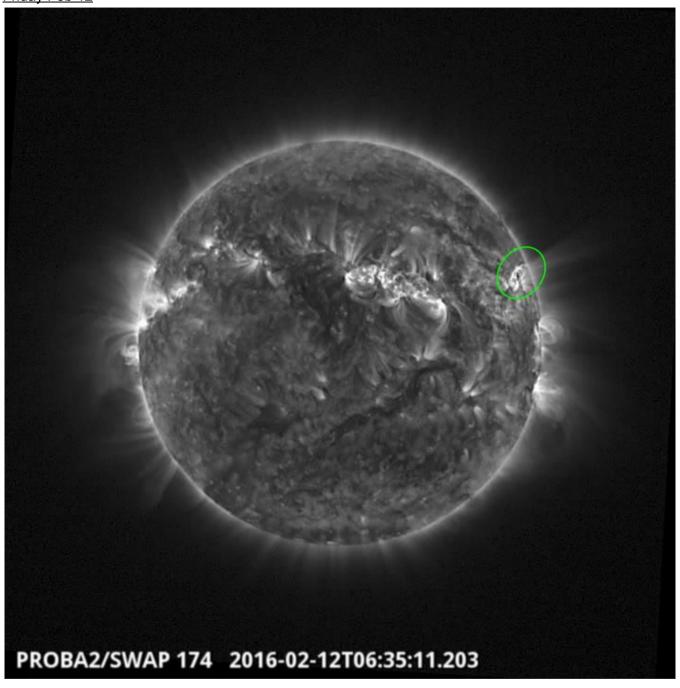
There was a filament eruption observed by SWAP on the East limb at 18:21 UT Find a movie of the events <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

## Thursday Feb 11



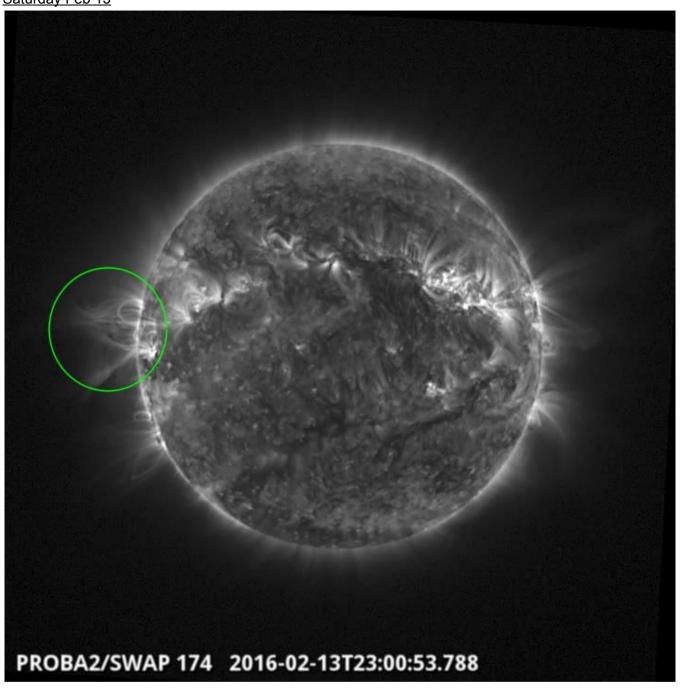
There was an eruption observed by SWAP near solar disk centre at 20:37 UT Find a movie of the event <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

Friday Feb 12



There was an eruption observed by SWAP in the North West at 06:35 UT Find a movie of the event <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

## Saturday Feb 13

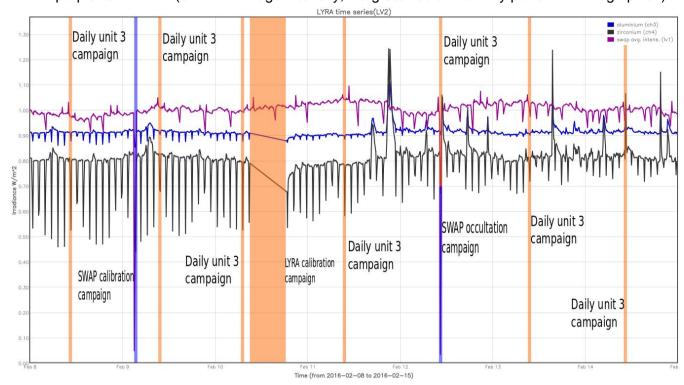


There was an eruption observed by SWAP on the East limb at 23:00 UT Find a movie of the event <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

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 calibration campaign, 2016-Feb-09
- SWAP occultation campaign, 2016-Feb-12

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

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-08
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-09
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-10
- Bi-weekly calibration campaign, 2015-Feb-10
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-11
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-12
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-13
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2015-Feb-14

## 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

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

## **IOS & operations**

Monday 08 Feb	Tuesday 09 Feb	Wednesday 10 Feb	Thursday 11 Feb	Friday 12 Feb	Saturday 13 Feb	Sunday 14 Feb
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
LYIOS00525	LYIOS00525	LYIOS00525	LYIOS00525	LYIOS00526	LYIOS00526	LYIOS00526

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- Daily U3 observations campaign
- Bi-weekly calibration campaign

## LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 51.3 and 53.9 °C.

## 3. SWAP instrument status

#### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

#### MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 1299 to 1507.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

## **IOS & operations**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
08 Feb	09 Feb	10 Feb	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + occultation	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
IOS00626	IOS00626	IOS00626	IOS00626	IOS00627	IOS00627	IOS00627
511 images	665 images	630 images	707 images	574 images	598 images	568 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

- Bi weekly calibration campaign
- SWAP and LYRA parallel occultation campaign.

## **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between 2.8 and 3.9  $^{\circ}\text{C}.$ 

# 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 19779 to 19841) 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 2016 Feb 08 00:00 UT and 2016 Feb 15 00:00 UT: 4253

Highest cadence in this period: 29 seconds Average cadence in this period: 142.22 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 147

Largest data gap: 29.93 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)