P2SC-ROB-WR-336 - 20160929 Weekly report #336	P2SC Weekly report	* **** ****
Period covered: Date:	Mon Aug 29 to Sun Sep 04, 2016 07 Sep 2016	Royal Observatory of Belgium -
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## 1. Science

## Solar & Space weather events

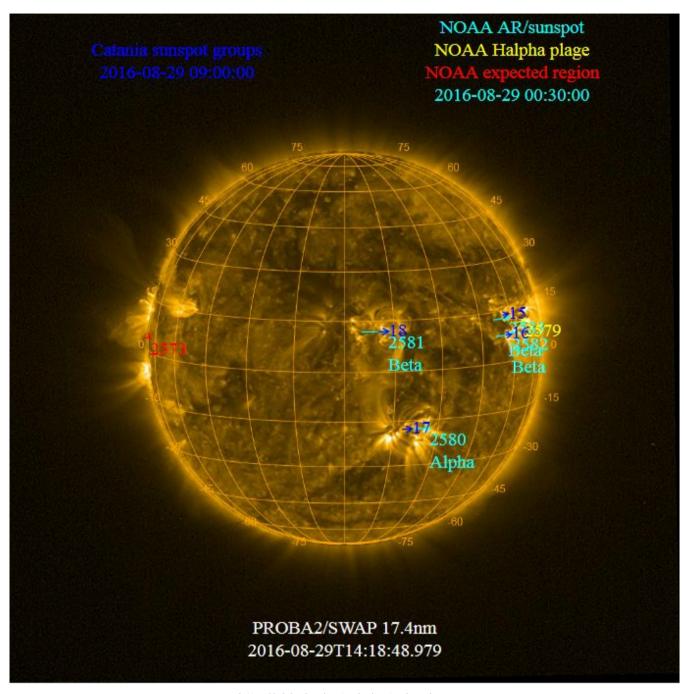
The level of solar activity<sup>1</sup> fluctuated between very **low** and **low** this week.

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

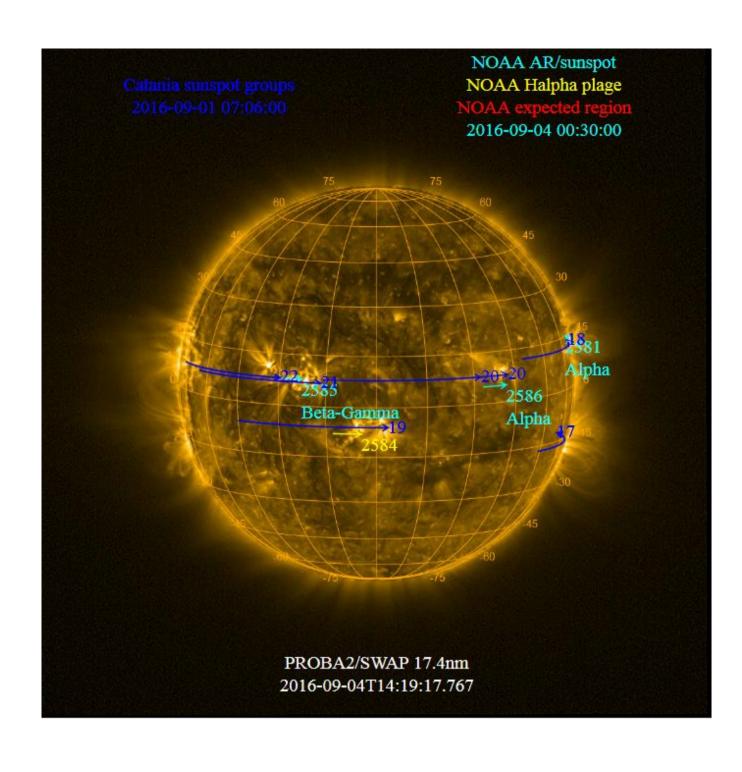
	Monday 29 Aug	Tuesday 30 Aug	Wednesday 31 Aug	Thursday 01 Sep	Friday 02 Sep	Saturday 03 Sep	Sunday 04 Sep
Activity	low	low	low	very low	very low	very low	very low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

The SWAP images of Aug 29 and Sep 4 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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



### **Solar Activity**

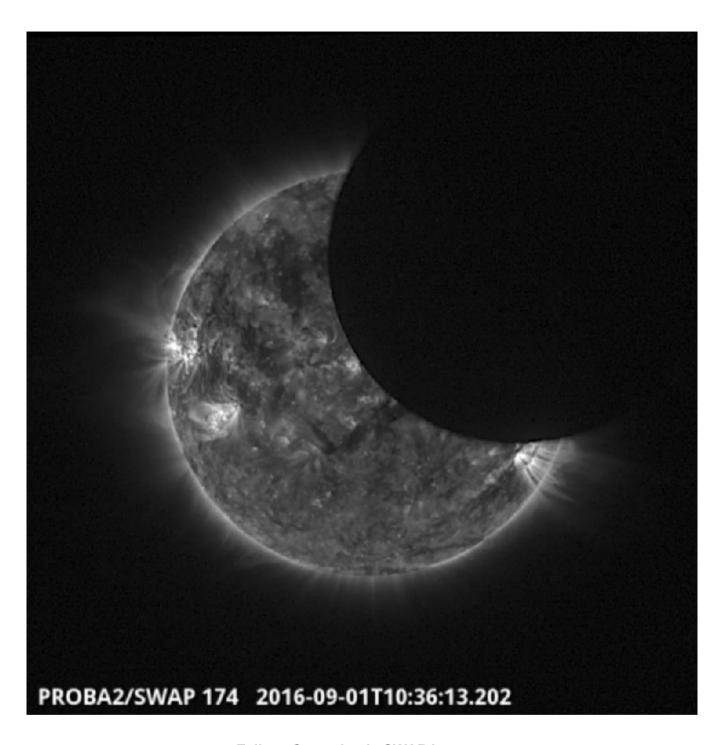
Solar flare activity fluctuated between **very low** and **low** during the week. In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <a href="http://proba2.oma.be/ssa">http://proba2.oma.be/ssa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

A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 336).

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

If any of the linked movies are unavailable they can be found in the P2SC movie repository here

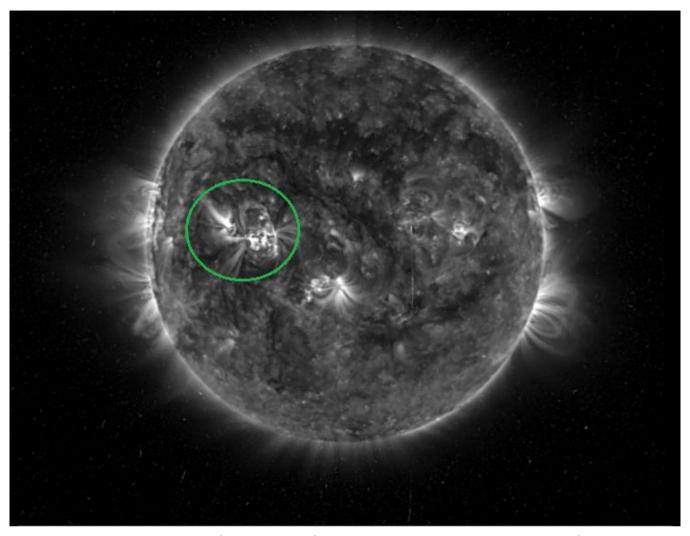
Thursday Sep 01



**Eclipse Campaign in SWAP images** 

Find a movie of the events **here** (SWAP movie)

Sunday Sep 04



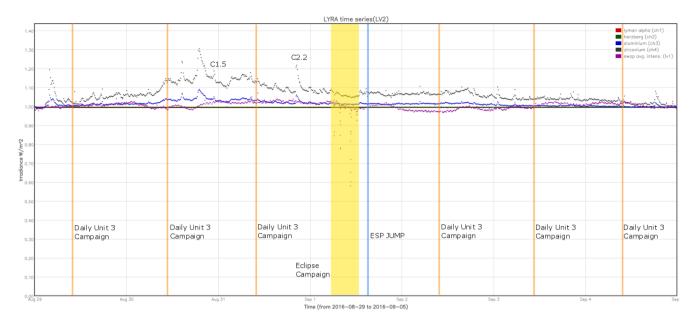
Very large sunspot group (NOAA 2585) in SWAP images which has been visible for the whole week and was quiet (B and C flares).

Find a movie of the events **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:

• ESP Jump, 2016-Sep-01

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

- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-29
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-30
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Aug-31
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Sep-01
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Sep-02
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Sep-03
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2016-Sep-04

The yellow shaded period corresponds to:

- Eclipse Campaign, 2016-Sep-01
  - For SWAP: high cadence during the periods of visibility and normal cadence (regular observations) in between
  - o For LYRA: Unit 2 and 3 on during the whole period

### 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 (http://www.stce.be/newsletter/newsletter.php).

F. Goryaev and V. Slemzin, PROBA2 GIs use SWAP observations to study the properties of the inner corona and search for solar wind flows by illumination from backside solar flares. They presented their progress during the weekly PROBA2 science meeting.

### **Guest Investigator Program**

• F. Goryaev and V. Slemzin have been visiting the P2SC on the GI program working on a "SWAP Study of properties of the inner corona and search of solar wind flows by illumination from backside solar flares."

## 2. LYRA instrument status

### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

### **IOS & operations**

Monday 29 Aug	Tuesday 30 Aug	Wednesday 31 Aug	Thursday 01 Sep	Friday 02 Sep	Saturday 03 Sep	Sunday 04 Sep
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 from 9:40 until 12:50 (Eclipse Campaign)	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3
LYIOS00576	LYIOS00577	LYIOS00577	LYIOS00578	LYIOS00578	LYIOS00578	LYIOS00578

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- daily U3 observations campaign
- Eclipse Campaign

## LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 47.93 and 50.19 °C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

### **MCPM** errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 3650 to 3653.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

## IOS & operations

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 Aug	30 Aug	31 Aug	01 Sep	02 Sep	03 Sep	04 Sep
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition+ Eclipse Campaign+ ESP Jump	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition
IOS00657	IOS00658	IOS00658	IOS00659	IOS00659	IOS00659	IOS00659
651 images	565 images	693 images	828 images	655 images	576 images	614 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

- Eclipse campaign
- ESP Jump

### **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.37 and -0.33 °C.

## 4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator during this week is Laurence Wauters.

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 21620 to 21684) 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 Aug 29 0UT and 2016 Sep 05 0UT: 4582

Highest cadence in this period: 19 seconds Average cadence in this period: 131.94 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 180

Largest data gap: 35.50 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
DAC Data Acquisition Controller

DBR Deployment, backup & recovery
DDA Decommutated data archive
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)