| P2SC-ROB-WR-358<br>- 20170130<br>Weekly report #358 | P2SC Weekly report   | *<br>****<br>****                            |
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| Period covered:<br>Date:                            | Mon Jan 30 to Sun Feb 5, 2017<br>6 Feb 2017  | Royal Observatory<br>of Belgium<br>-         |
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# 1. Science

# **Solar & Space weather events**

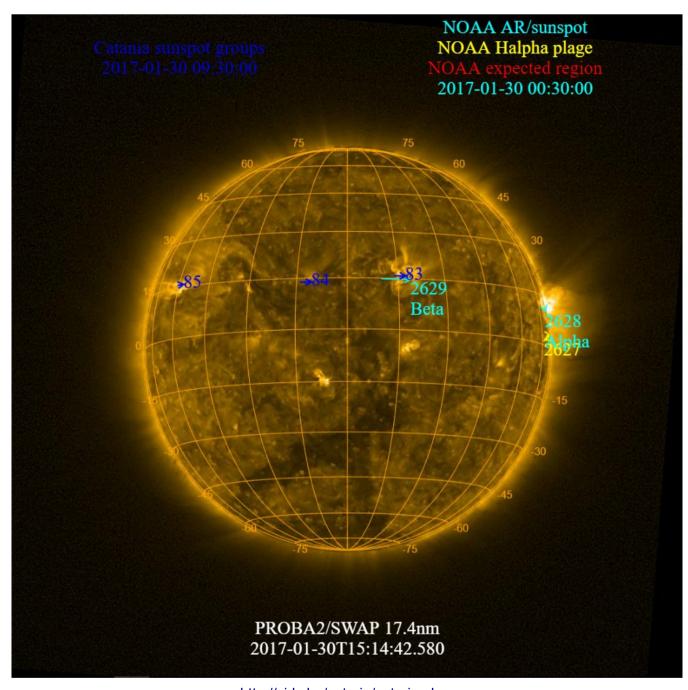
The level of solar activity<sup>1</sup> remained at **very low** this week.

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

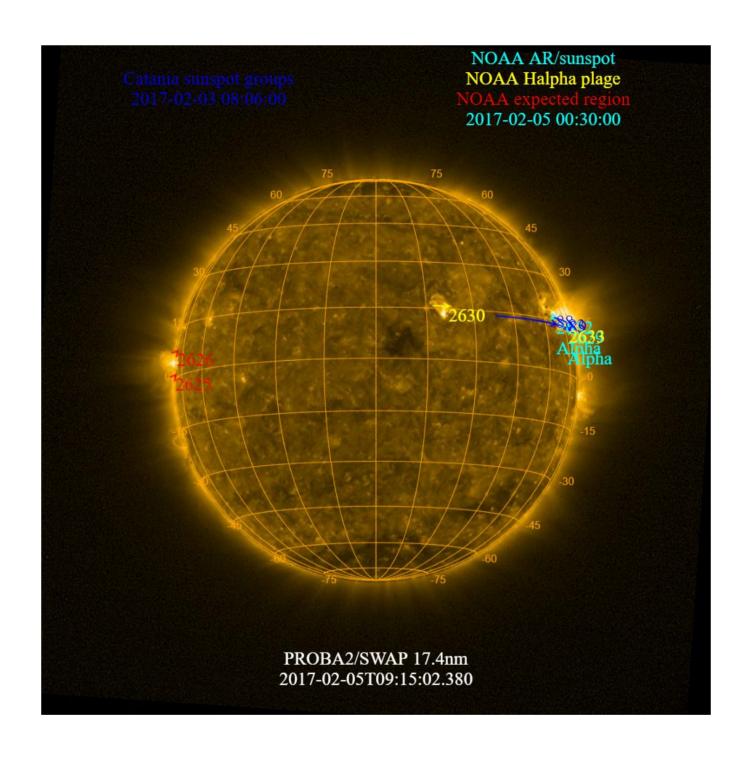
|          | Monday<br>30 Jan | Tuesday<br>31 Jan | Wednesday<br>01 Feb | Thursday<br>02 Feb | Friday<br>03 Feb | Saturday<br>04 Feb | Sunday<br>05 Feb |
|----------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Activity | very low         | very low          | very 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 Jan 30 and Feb 05 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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



### **Solar Activity**

Solar flare activity remained very 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 358).

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

## Wednesday Feb 1



A coronal hole in the southern hemisphere dominated the solar disk at the start of the week.

This is clearly seen on 2017-Feb-01.

Find a movie of the event <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP movie)

## Saturday Feb 4



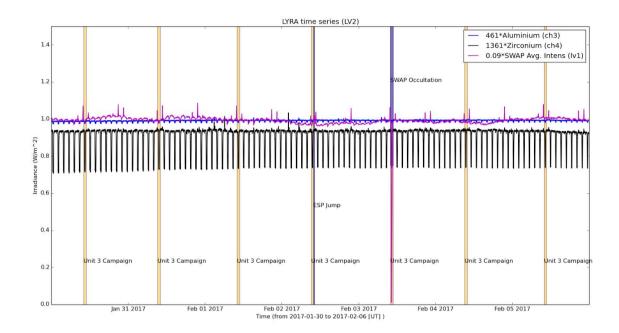
The active region that produced the largest flare of the week (B1.6 class flare) is shown here in the Western hemisphere of the Sun on 2017-Feb-04 at 13:06 UT

Find a movie of the events <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:

- ESP Jump, 2017-Feb-02
- SWAP occultation campaign, 2017-Feb-03

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

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Jan-30
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Jan-31
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Feb-01
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Feb-02
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Feb-03
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Feb-04
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Feb-05

The red shaded period corresponds to:

None

### 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**

• Frederica Frassati visited the P2SC from 2017 Jan 23 - 2017 Feb 04, to study shock front tracking using the SWAP instrument on PROBA2.

## 2. LYRA instrument status

## Calibration

No calibration.

# IOS & operations

| Monday        | Tuesday       | Wednesday     | Thursday      | Friday        | Saturday      | Sunday        |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 30 Jan        | 31 Jan        | 01 Feb        | 02 Feb        | 03 Feb        | 04 Feb        | 05 Feb        |
| Nominal       |
| acquisition + |
| daily U3      |
| LYIOS00597    | LYIOS00597    | LYIOS00598    | LYIOS00598    | LYIOS00599    | LYIOS00599    | LYIOS00599    |

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

• daily U3 observations campaign

## LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 49.86 and 53.55 °C.

## 3. SWAP instrument status

#### Calibration

No calibration.

#### **MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 5739 to 5995.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

## IOS & operations

| Monday              | Tuesday             | Wednesday           | Thursday                            | Friday  | Saturday            | Sunday              |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| 30 Jan              | 31 Jan              | 01 Feb              | 02 Feb                              | 03 Feb  | 04 Feb              | 05 Feb              |
| Nominal acquisition | Nominal acquisition | Nominal acquisition | Nominal<br>acquisition<br>+ESP jump | Nominal<br>acquisition<br>+Occultation<br>campaign. | Nominal acquisition | Nominal acquisition |
| IOS00683            | IOS00684            | IOS00684            | IOS00684                            | IOS00685  | IOS00685            | IOS00685            |
| 660 images          | 794 images          | 739 images          | 745 images                          | 689 images  | 721 images          | 697 images          |

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

- ESP Jump, 2017-Feb-02
- SWAP occultation campaign, 2017-Feb-03

### **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between 1.27 and 3.83 °C.

# 4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator 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 23053 to 23118) 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 2017 Jan 30 00:00 UT and 2017 Feb 06 00:00 UT: 5075

Highest cadence in this period: 30 seconds Average cadence in this period: 119.16 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 118

Largest data gap: 57.77 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)