P2SC-ROB-WR-415 - 20180305 Weekly report #415	P2SC Weekly report	****
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## 1. Science

## Solar & Space weather events

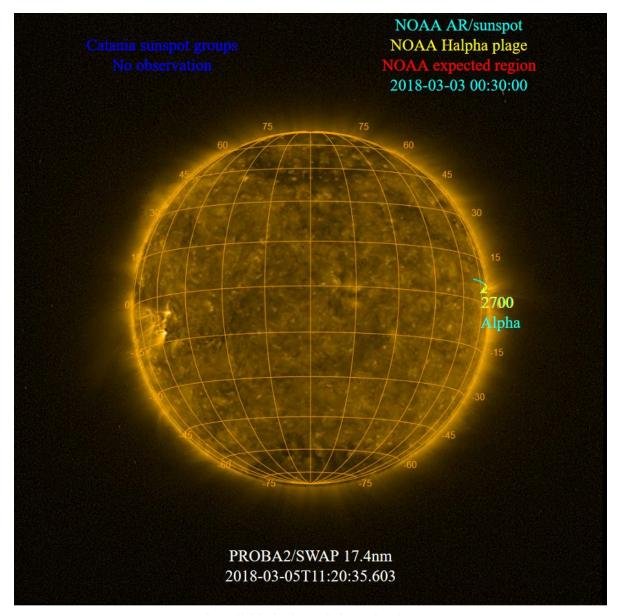
The level of solar activity<sup>1</sup> remained **very low** this week.

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

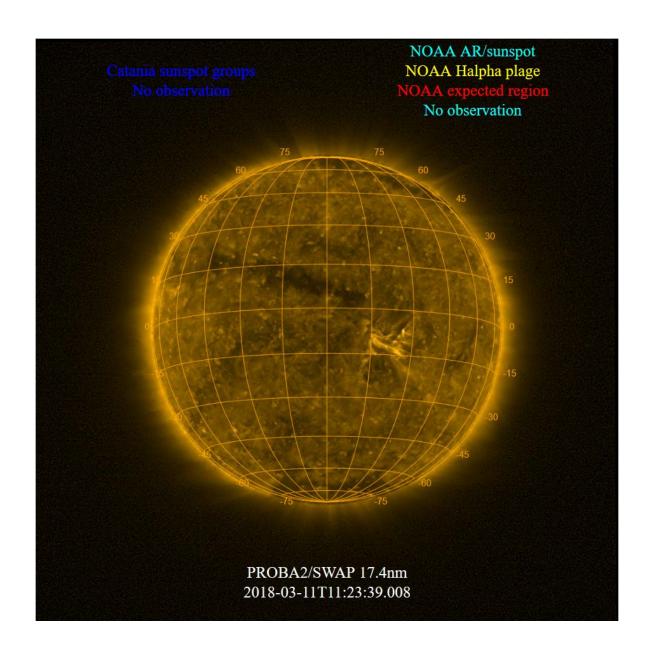
	Monday 05 Mar	Tuesday 06 Mar	Wednesday 07 Mar	Thursday 08 Mar	Friday 09 Mar	Saturday 10 Mar	Sunday 11 Mar
Activity	very low	very low	very low	very low	very low	very low	very low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

The SWAP images of Mar 05 and Mar 11 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



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



#### **Solar Activity**

Solar flare activity remained very low during the week.

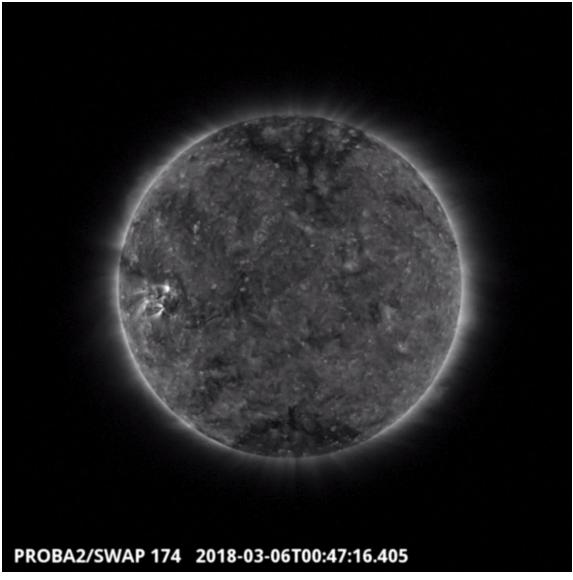
In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <a href="http://proba2.oma.be/ssa">http://proba2.oma.be/ssa</a>
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 415).

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.

## Tuesday Mar 06



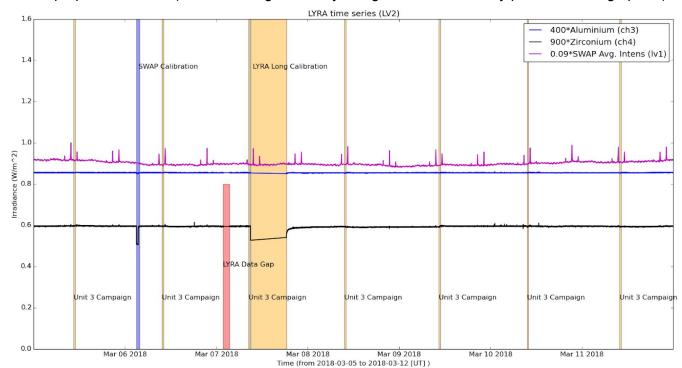
A filament was observed by SWAP on 2018-Mar-06, this is shown in the SWAP image above at 00:47, where the filament appears to the east of the centre of the solar disk.

Find a movie of the feature <a href="here">here</a> (SWAP difference 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 related to SWAP, correspond to, from left to right:

Bi-weekly calibration, 2018-Mar-06

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

- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-05
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-06
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-07
- Long calibration campaign, 2018-Mar-07
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-08
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-09
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-10
- Daily Unit 3 campaign, 2018-Mar-11

The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

 LYRA data gap due to the pass not being able to be processed due to one corrupted packet due poor signal, 2018-Mar-07

#### 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**

• Alexandros Koukras continued his visit to the P2SC working on his project entitled "A unique opportunity of observing and modeling a CME event from the low to the outer corona".

### 2. LYRA instrument status

#### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Wednesday this week.

## IOS & operations

Monday 05 Mar	Tuesday 06 Mar	Wednesday 07 Mar	Thursday 08 Mar	Friday 09 Mar	Saturday 10 Mar	Sunday 11 Mar
Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + Long calibration	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3	Nominal acquisition + daily U3
LYIOS00679	LYIOS00679 LYIOS00680 LYIOS00681	LYIOS00681	LYIOS00681	LYIOS00681	LYIOS00682	LYIOS00682

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

• daily U3 observations campaign

On 2017-Mar-06

• Long calibration campaign

### LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 49.57 and 51.66 °C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

#### Calibration

Calibration campaign on Tuesday this week.

#### **MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 2433 to 2668.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

### **IOS & operations**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
05 Mar	06 Mar	07 Mar	08 Mar	09 Mar	10 Mar	11 Mar
Nominal acquisition	Nominal acquisition + calibration	Nominal acquisition				
IOS00765	IOS00765	IOS00765	IOS00765	IOS00765	IOS00765	IOS00765
580 images	714 images	663 images	723 images	708 images	700 images	699 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

On 2017-Mar-05

• Bi-weekly calibration campaign

#### **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between 0.79 and 1.59 °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 26798 to 26864) 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 2018 Mar 05 00:00 UT and 2018 Mar 11 00:00 UT: 4172

Highest cadence in this period: 30 seconds Average cadence in this period: 124.25 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 103

Largest data gap: 9.17 minutes

#### **Data coverage LYRA**

All LYRA Science data files (BINLYRA) have been received, except:

 A LYRA packet for pass 26818 is corrupted (size issue) due to poor signal, pass cannot be processed at this time.

### 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)
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)