


P2SC-ROB-WR-805 - 20250825	<b>P2SC Weekly report</b>	
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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 25 Aug	Tuesday 26 Aug	Wednesday 27 Aug	Thursday 28 Aug	Friday 29 Aug	Saturday 30 Aug	Sunday 31 Aug
Activity	moderate	moderate	low	moderate	moderate	moderate	low
Flares	<b>M1.1</b> <b>M1.2</b> <b>M1.0</b> <b>M4.5</b>	<b>M1.0</b> <b>M4.5</b> <b>M3.3</b>	-	<b>M1.5</b> <b>M1.0</b> <b>M1.2</b> <b>M1.1</b>	<b>M1.0</b>	<b>M2.7</b> <b>M1.2</b> <b>M1.3</b>	-

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

## **Solar Activity**

Solar flare activity fluctuated from low to 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: <https://proba2.oma.be/ssa>

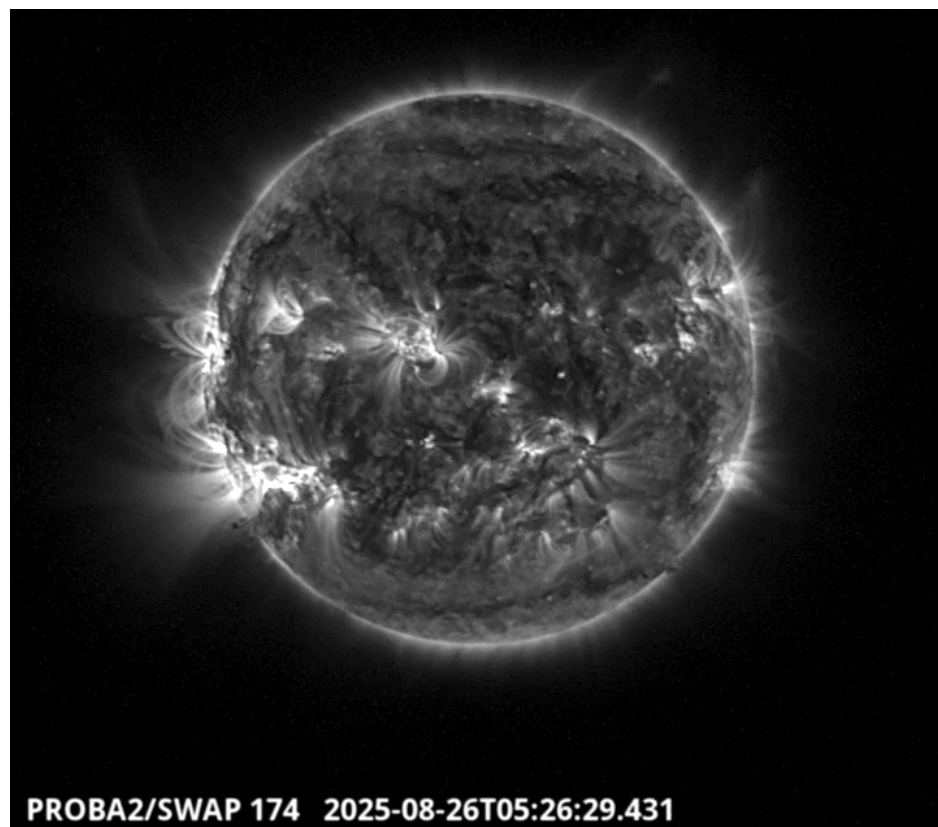
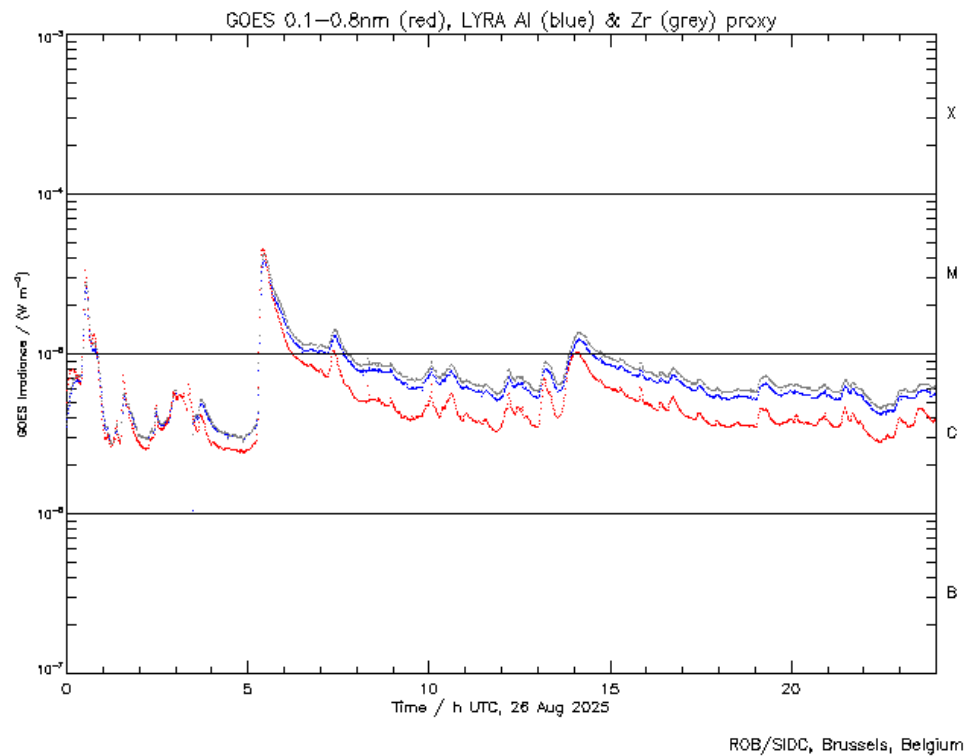
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found [here](#) (SWAP week 805).

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 Aug 26



The largest flares of this week were two M4.5, the first one originating from active region NOAA4199 (SIDC 617) on 2025-Aug-25, and the second one from NOAA4197 (SIDC 614) on 2025-Aug-26. They were both observed by PROBA2, but we are presenting the second one, as seen by LYRA (top panel) and SWAP (bottom panel). The flare peaked at 05:25 UT and occurred in the south-eastern quadrant of the Sun. Find a SWAP movie of the event [here](#).

The following curves are visible:

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- LYRA time series (LV2)
- Y-axis: Irradiance ( $\text{W/m}^2$ )
- X-axis: Time (from 2025-08-25 to 2025-09-01 [UT])
- Legend:
- 600\*Aluminium (ch3)
  - 800\*Zirconium (ch4)
  - 0.09\*SWAP Avg. Intens (lv1)
- Key events and labels:
- Unit3 campaign
  - SWAP calibration
  - Short calibration
  - Mosaic campaign
  - LYRA data gap

The blue shaded periods related to SWAP, correspond to, from left to right:

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

- The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

- small BINLYRA for pass 51334 due to bad signal, so there is a LYRA gap on 2025-Aug-29 between 18:22 - 20:02 UT.

**2. LYRA instrument status**

**IOS**

Start IOS	Mon Aug 25 2025	LYIOS01194
End IOS	Sun Aug 31 2025	LYIOS01194

**LYRA detector temperature**

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 48.41 and 50.53 °C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

**MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 8633 to 8886.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

**IOS**

Start IOS	Mon Aug 25 2025	IOS01301
End IOS	Sun Aug 31 2025	IOS01302

**SWAP detector temperature**

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -0.97 and -0.09 °C.

#### **4. PROBA2 Science Center Status**

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 51293 to 51352) was nominal, except for:

- 51334.

### 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 2025 Aug 25 00:00 UT and 2025 Sep 01 00:00 UT: 3967

Highest cadence in this period: 18 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 152.41 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 298

Largest data gap: 14.67 minutes

### Data coverage LYRA

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

- None
- small BINLYRA for pass 51334 due to bad signal, so there is a LYRA data gap on 2025-Aug-29 between 18:22 - 20:02 UT.



## 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)