


P2SC-ROB-WR-595 - 20210816	<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 **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 16 Aug	Tuesday 17 Aug	Wednesday 18 Aug	Thursday 19 Aug	Friday 20 Aug	Saturday 21 Aug	Sunday 22 Aug
Activity	very low	very low	very low	very low	low	very low	low
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

## 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: <https://proba2.oma.be/ssa>

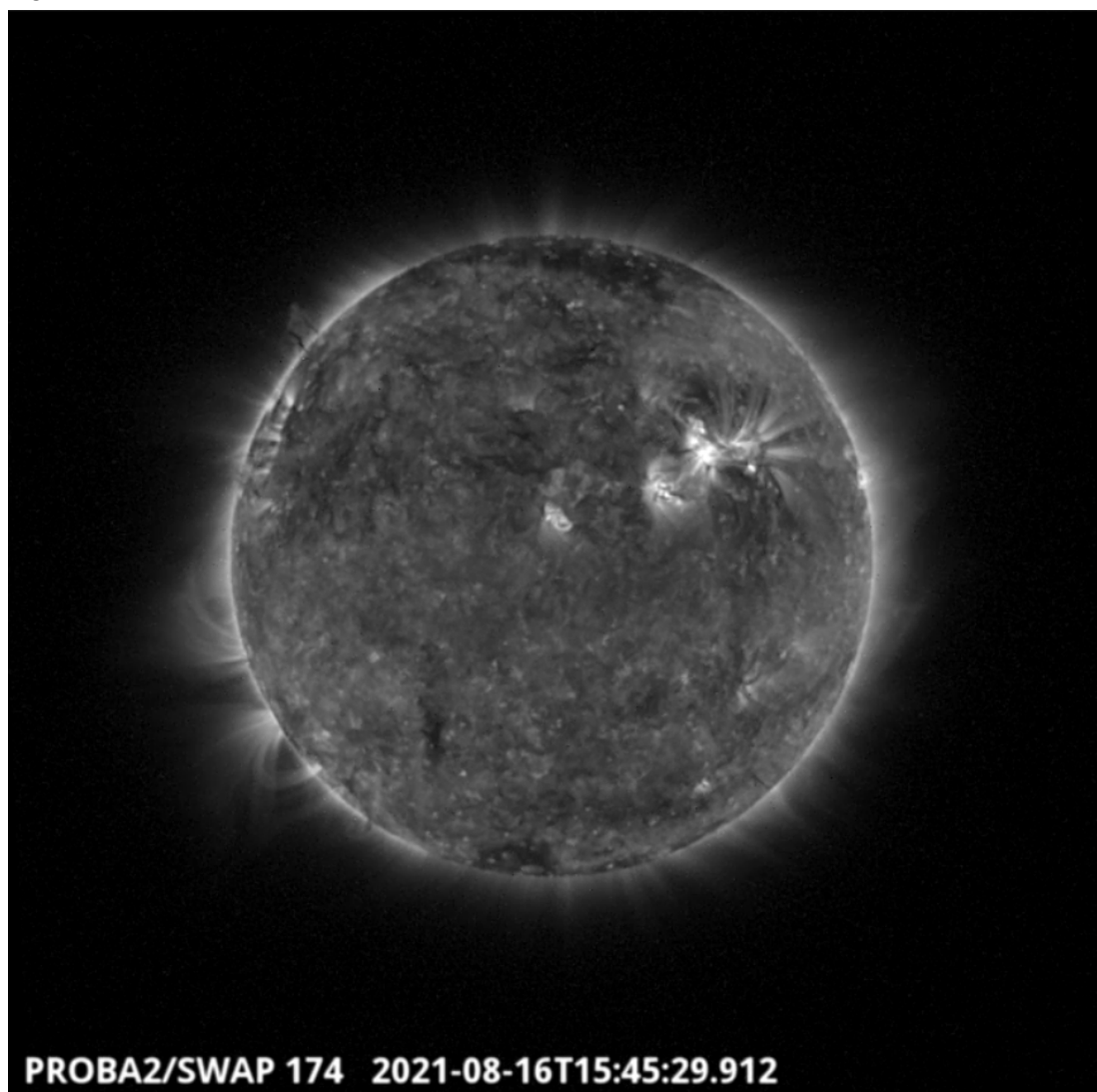
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found [here](#) (SWAP week 595).

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](#)

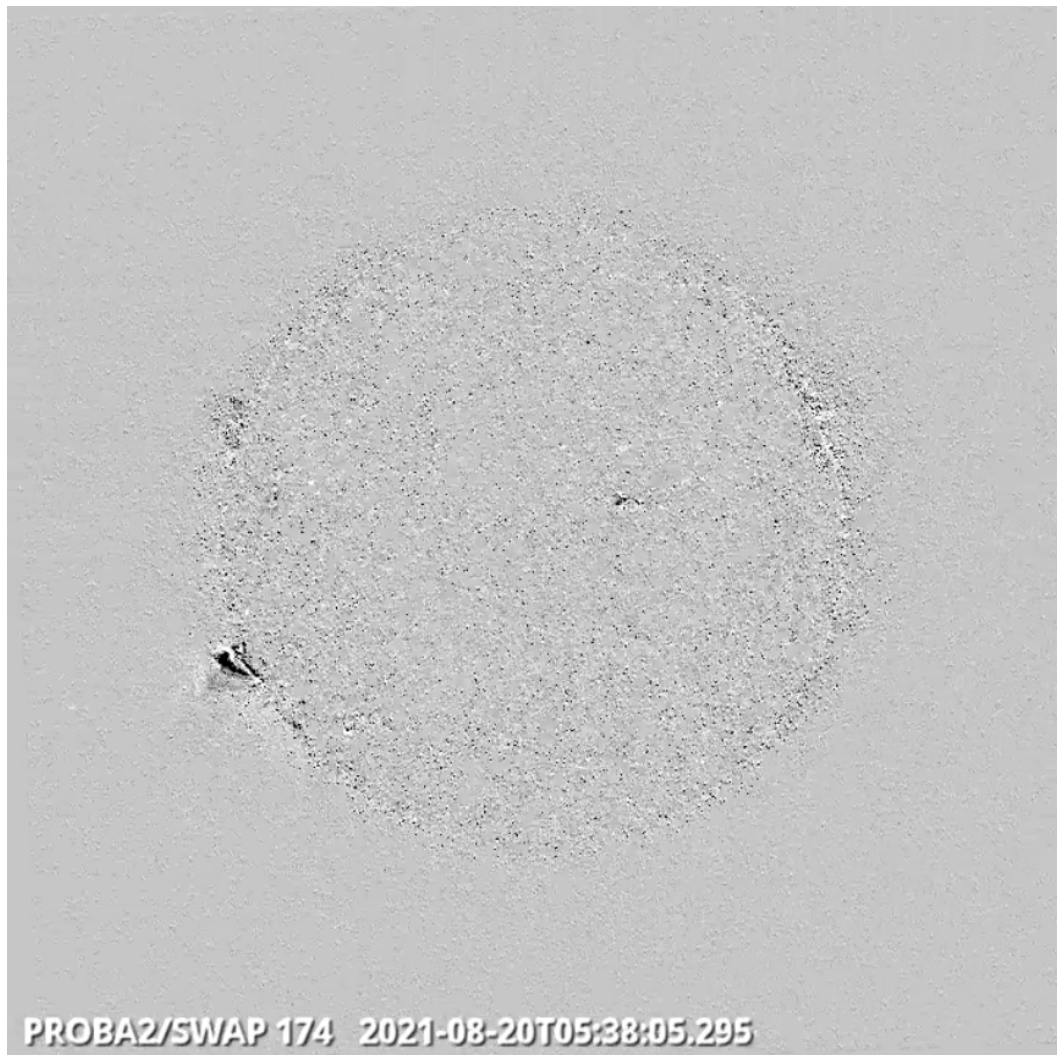
### Monday Aug 16



**A large filament was visible on the disk for much of the week. The filament can be seen over the north-east limb on 2021-Aug-16, as shown in the SWAP image above taken at 15:45 UT.**

Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie).

Friday Aug 20

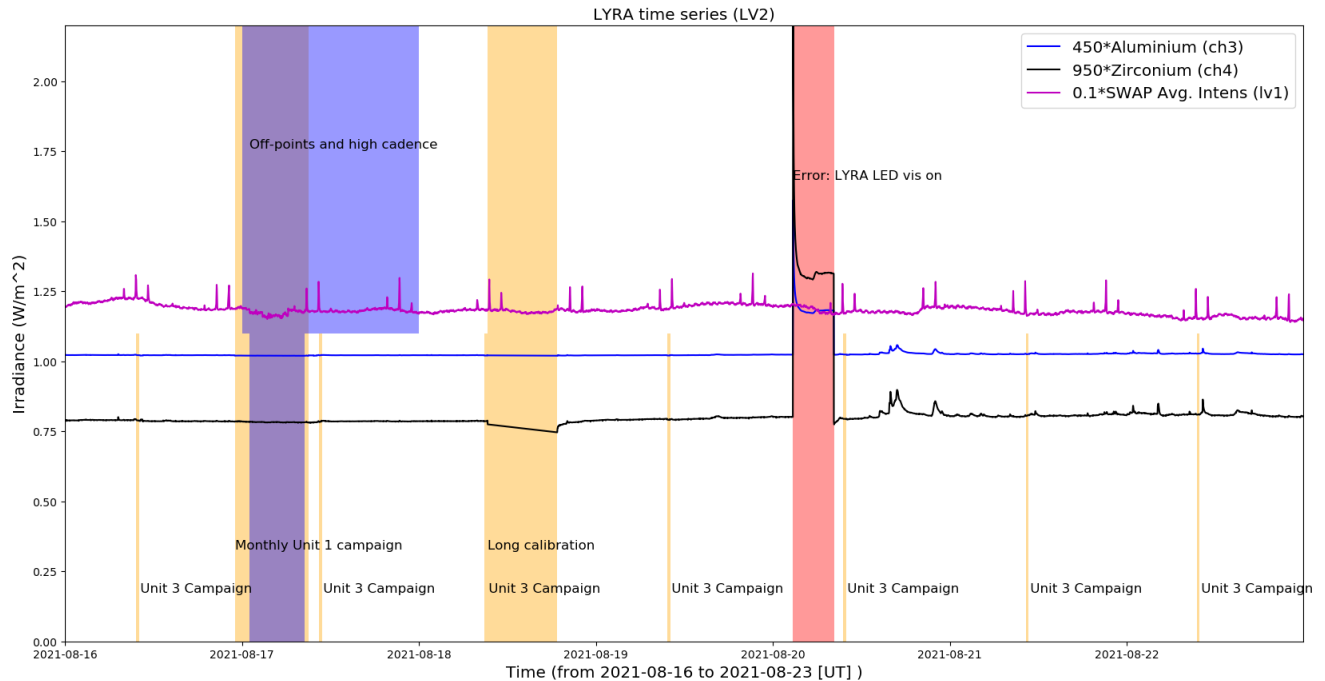


**An eruption was observed by SWAP from beyond the south-east limb of the solar disk on 2021-Aug-20, as shown in the SWAP difference image above taken at 05:38 UT.**  
Find a movie of the entire day [here](#) (SWAP movie) and [here](#) (SWAP difference movie).

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 )



### Operations and Calibrations:

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

- High cadence observations and off-points for joint campaign with EU, 2021-Aug-17:
  - 00:00 to 01:00 increased cadence 90s
  - 01:00 to 02:45 off-point to the east, cadence 50s
  - 02:45 to 04:30 off-point to the north-east , cadence 50s
  - 04:30 to 06:15 off-point to the south-east, cadence 50s
  - 06:15 to 08:30 off-point to the sun-centre, cadence 50s
  - 08:30 to 23:59 increased cadence 90s

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

- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-16
- Unit 1 observations for EU joint campaign, 2021-Aug-17
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-17
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-18
- Long calibration, 2021-Aug-18
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-19
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-20
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-21
- Unit 3 Campaign, 2021-Aug-22

The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

- LED turned on without being commanded between 02:44:32 and 08:17:02, 2021-Aug-20

## 2. LYRA instrument status

### IOS

Start IOS	Mon Aug 16 2021	LYIOS00901
End IOS	Sun Aug 22 2021	LYIOS00902

### LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 46.95 and 51.51 °C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

#### **MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 20552 to 20658.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 3135.

#### **IOS**

Start IOS	Mon Aug 16 2021	IOS00987
End IOS	Sun Aug 22 2021	IOS00987

#### **SWAP detector temperature**

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.53 and -0.17 °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 38445 to 38511) 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 2021 Aug 16 00:00 UT and 2021 Aug 23 00:00 UT: 5021

Highest cadence in this period: 50 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 120.40 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 135

Largest data gap: 11.00 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)
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)