P2SC-ROB-WR-767 - 20241202	P2SC Weekly report	**** ****
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# 1. Science

## Solar & Space weather events

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

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

	Monday 02 Dec	Tuesday 03 Dec	Wednesday 04 Dec	Thursday 05 Dec	Friday 06 Dec	Saturday 07 Dec	Sunday 08 Dec
Activity	low	low	moderate	moderate	moderate	moderate	high
Flares	-	-	M1.4 M1.3 M2.3	M2.5 M1.1 M1.0	M1.2	M3.2 M2.3	M1.5 X2.2

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

#### **Solar Activity**

Solar flare activity fluctuated from low to high during the week.

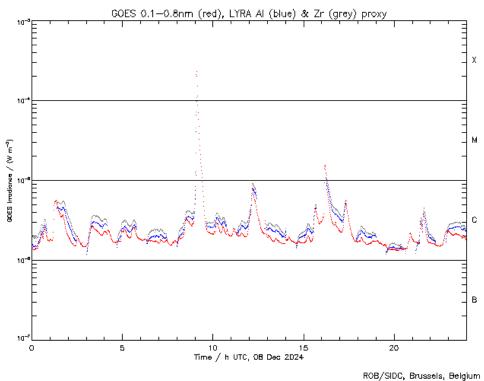
In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <a href="https://proba2.oma.be/ssa">https://proba2.oma.be/ssa</a>
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

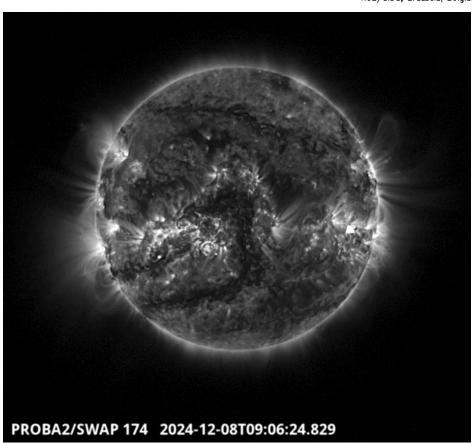
A weekly overview movie can be found here (SWAP week 767).

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 <a href="here">here</a>

#### Sunday Dec 08





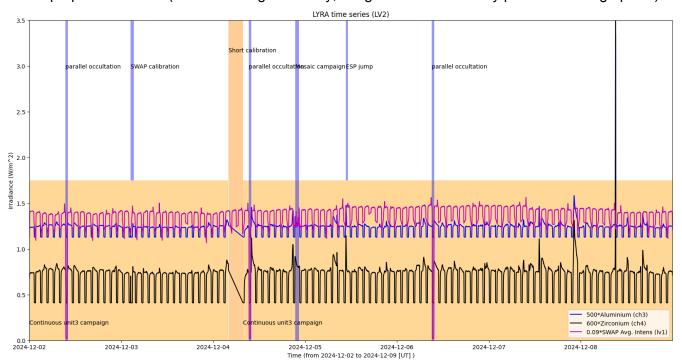
The largest flare of this week was an X2.2, and it was observed by LYRA (top panel) and SWAP (bottom panel). The flare peaked on 2024-Dec-08 at 09:06 UT. It occurred close to the equator in the western hemisphere, originating from active region NOAA3912.

Find a SWAP movie of the event <u>here</u>.

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:

- SWAP and LYRA parallel occultation, 2024-Dec-02
- Bi-weekly calibration, 2024-Dec-03
- SWAP and LYRA parallel occultation, 2024-Dec-04
- SWAP weekly mosaic, 2024-Dec-04
- ESP jump, 2024-Dec-05
- SWAP and LYRA parallel occultation, 2024-Dec-06

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

- Continuous unit 3 campaign, from 2024-Dec-02 until 2024-Dec-04
- Short bi-weekly calibration, 2024-Dec-04
- Continuous unit 3 campaign, from 2024-Dec-04 until end of reporting period

The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

None

# 2. LYRA instrument status

#### IOS

Start IOS	Mon Dec 02 2024	LYIOS01135
End IOS	Sun Dec 08 2024	LYIOS01135

## LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 41.85 and 46.98  $^{\circ}\text{C}.$ 

## 3. SWAP instrument status

#### **MCPM** errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 182 to 275.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

#### IOS

Start IOS	Mon Dec 02 2024	IOS01243
End IOS	Sun Dec 08 2024	IOS01244

### **SWAP** detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -3.93 and -1.53 °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 48953 to 49013) 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 2024 Dec 02 00:00 UT and 2024 Dec 09 00:00 UT: 4796

Highest cadence in this period: 18 seconds Average cadence in this period: 126.09 seconds Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 106

Largest data gap: 32.50 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)
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)