


P2SC-ROB-WR-819 - 20251201	<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 **high** this week.

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

	Monday 01 Dec	Tuesday 02 Dec	Wednesday 03 Dec	Thursday 04 Dec	Friday 05 Dec	Saturday 06 Dec	Sunday 07 Dec
Activity	high	low	low	moderate	low	moderate	moderate
Flares	<b>X1.9</b>	-	-	<b>M6.0</b>	-	<b>M8.1, M1.1</b>	<b>M2.4</b>

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

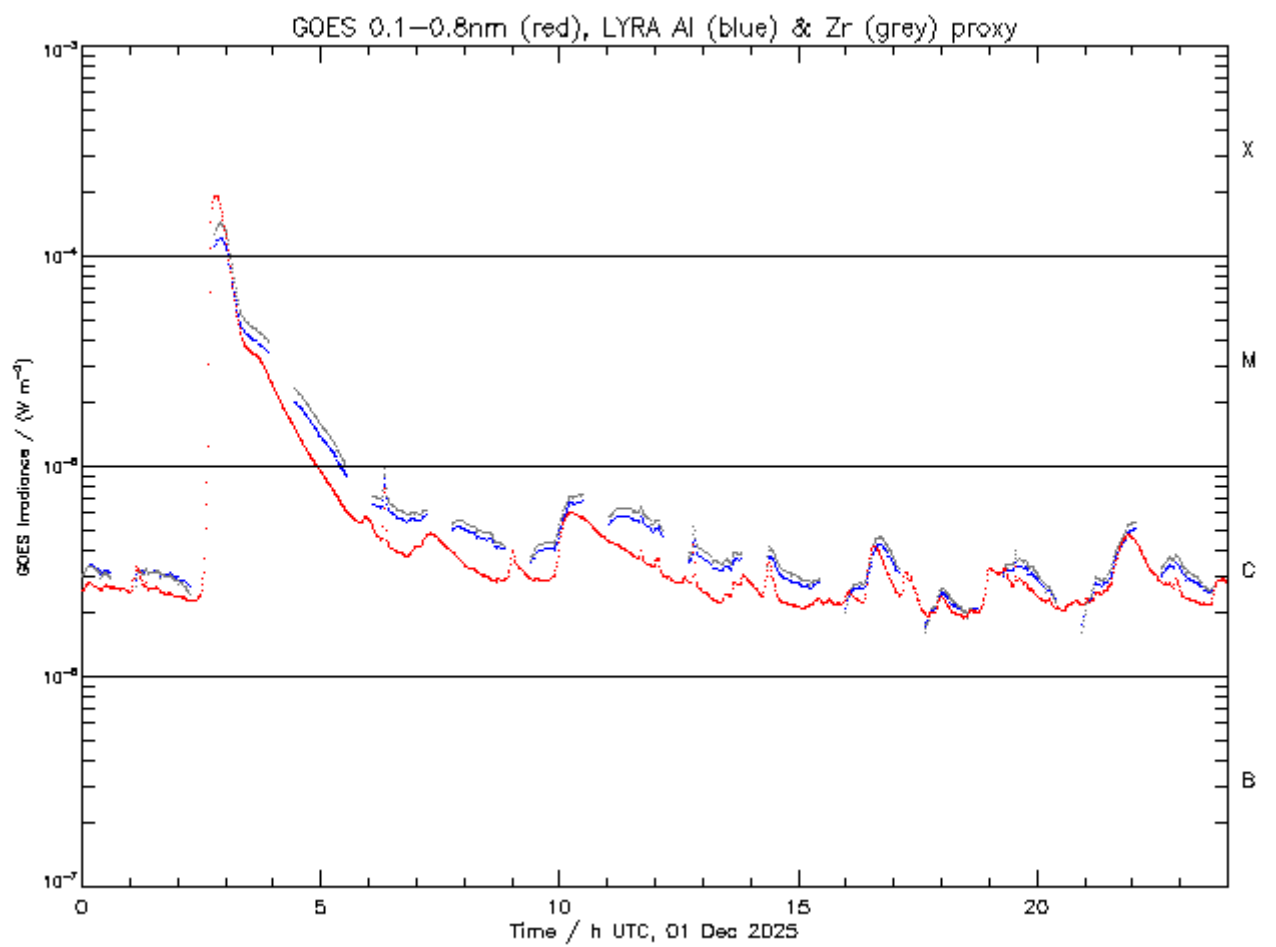
This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found [here](#) (SWAP week 819).

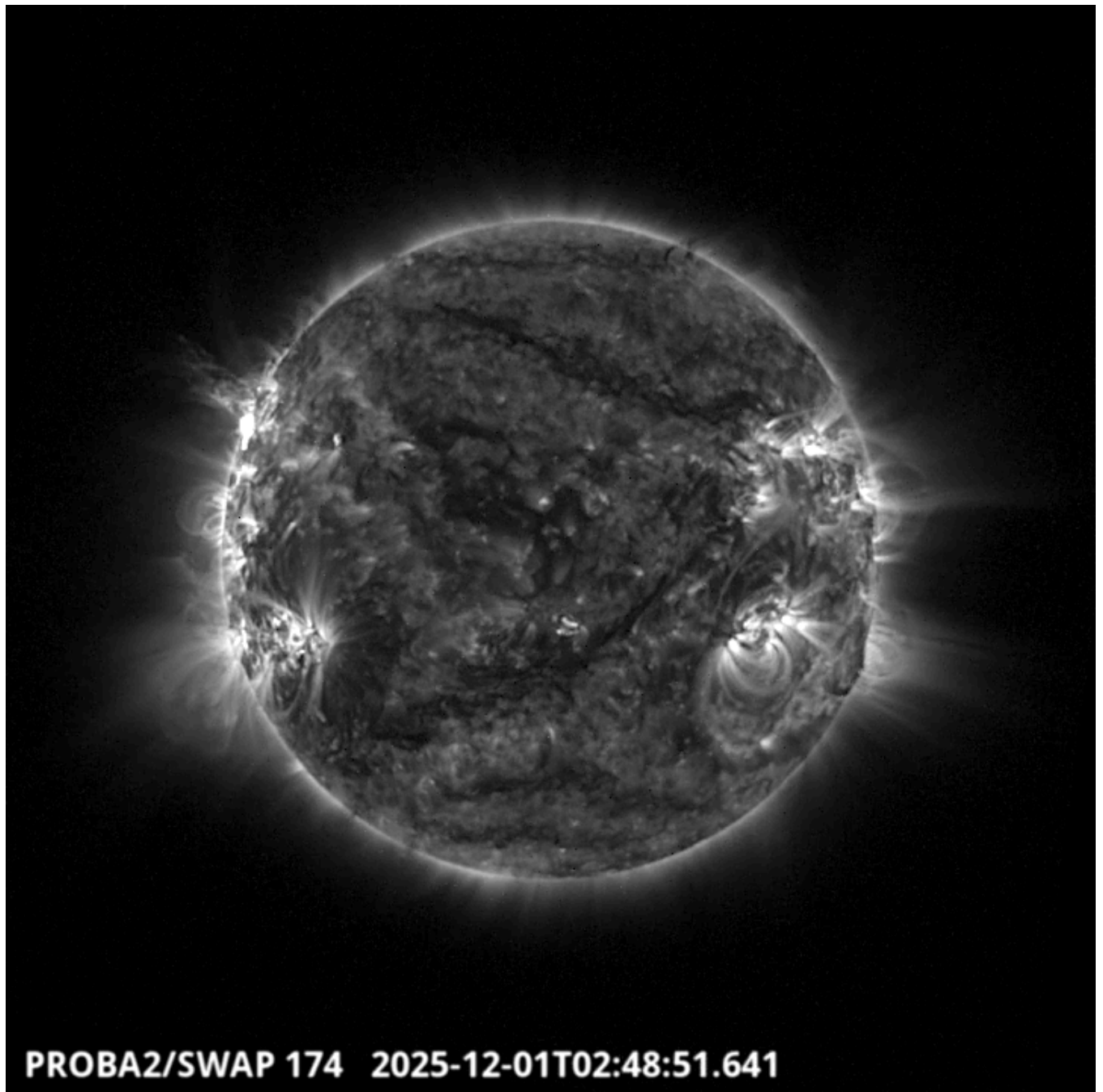
Details about some of this week's events can be found further below.

If any of the linked movies are unavailable they can be found in the P2SC movie repository [here](#)

Monday Dec 01



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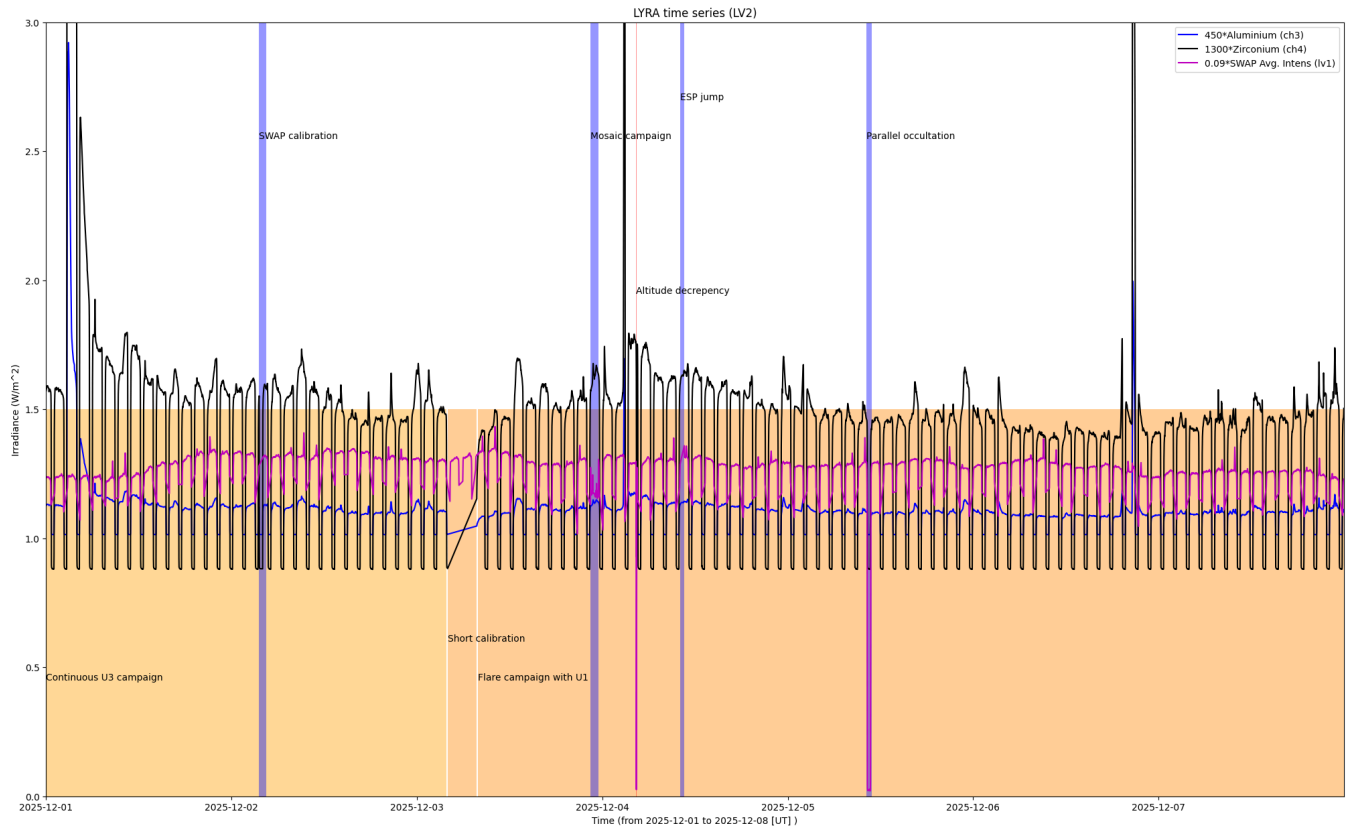
The largest flare of this week was an X1.9, and it was observed by LYRA (top panel) and SWAP (bottom panel). The flare peaked on 2025-Dec-01 at 02:49 UT and occurred on the North East part of the solar disk, originating from active region NOAA4299.

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

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 calibration, 2025-Dec-02
- SWAP mosaic campaign, 2025-Dec-03
- ESP jump, 2025-Dec-04
- SWAP and LYRA parallel occultation, 2025-Dec-05

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

- LYRA calibration, 2025-Dec-03
- Unit 1 flare campaign, started on 2025-Dec-03

The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

- On Dec 04, a non commanded off-pointing of 0.1 degree and a discrepancy of the attitude control occurred between 04:21:58 and 04:28:58.

**2. LYRA instrument status**

**IOS**

Start IOS	Mon Dec 01 2025	LYIOS01215
End IOS	Sun Dec 07 2025	LYIOS01217

**LYRA detector temperature**

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 42.18 and 47.37°C.

### 3. SWAP instrument status

**MCPM errors**

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 12549 to 12941.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

**IOS**

Start IOS	Mon Dec 01 2025	IOS01332
End IOS	Sun Dec 07 2025	IOS01333

**SWAP detector temperature**

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -4.01 and -1.37°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 52144 to 52203) was nominal, except for:

- On Dec 04, REDU observed an off-pointing of 0.1 degree and a discrepancy of the attitude control between 04:21:58 and 04:28:58. These data are included in pass 52172.

### **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 Dec 01 00:00 UT and 2025 Dec 08 00:00 UT: 4218

Highest cadence in this period: 18 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 143.36 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 109

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)