

## Supplementary Information for

# Shipborne oceanic high-spectral-resolution lidar for accurate estimation of seawater depth-resolved optical properties

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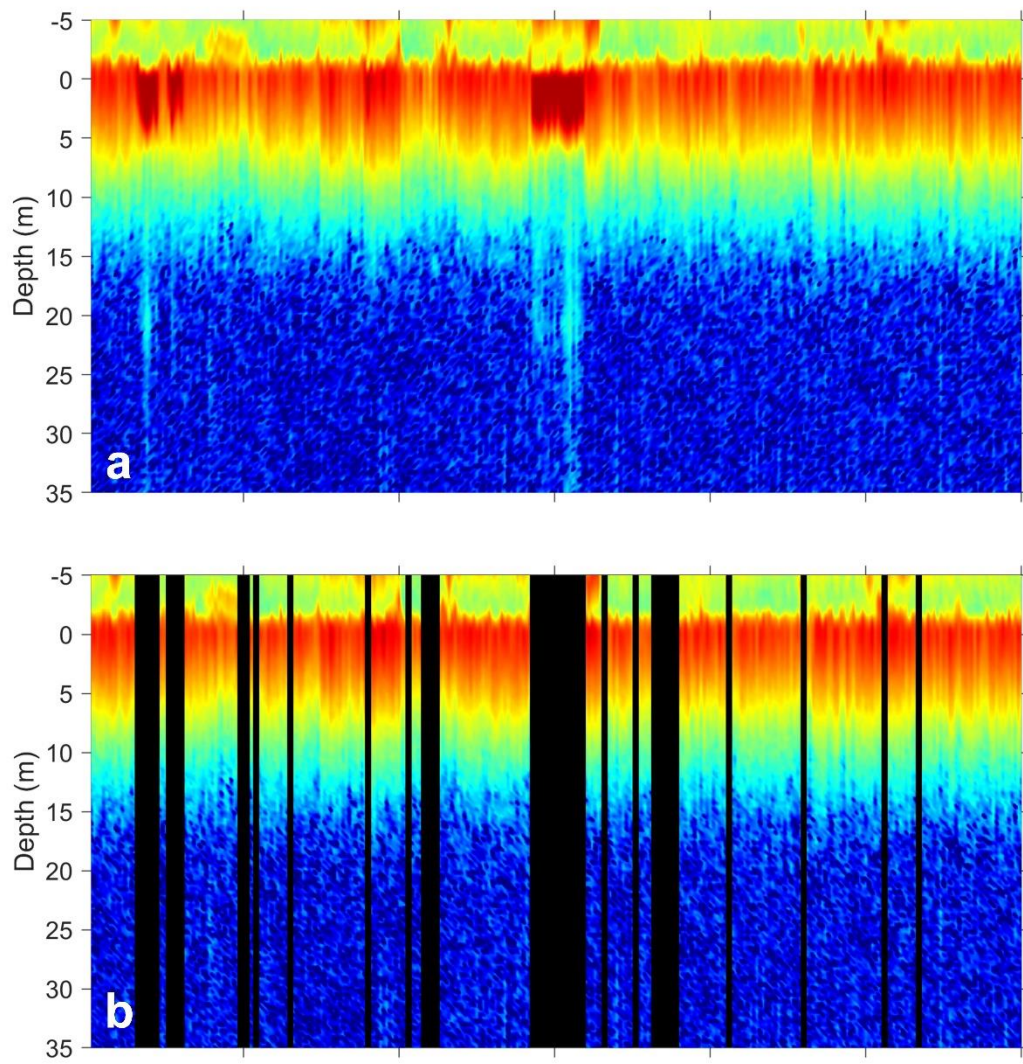
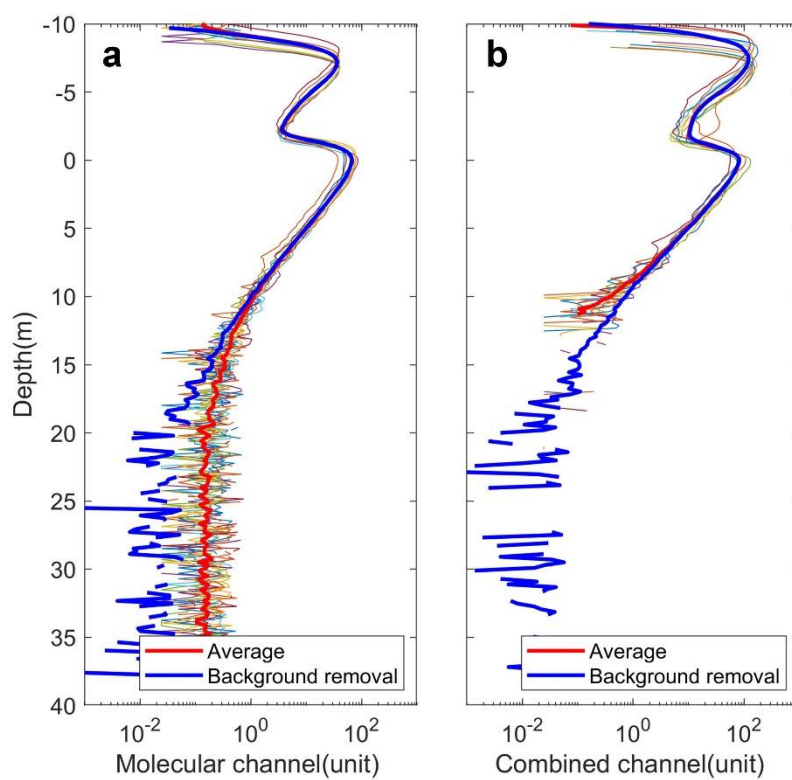
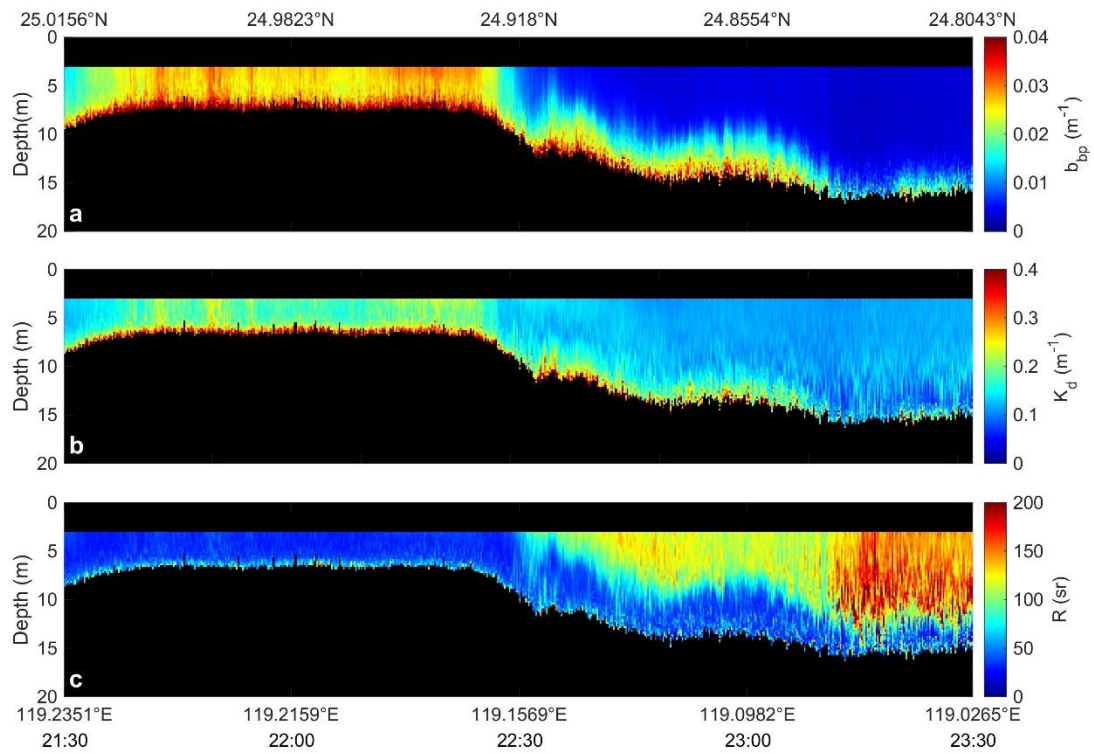


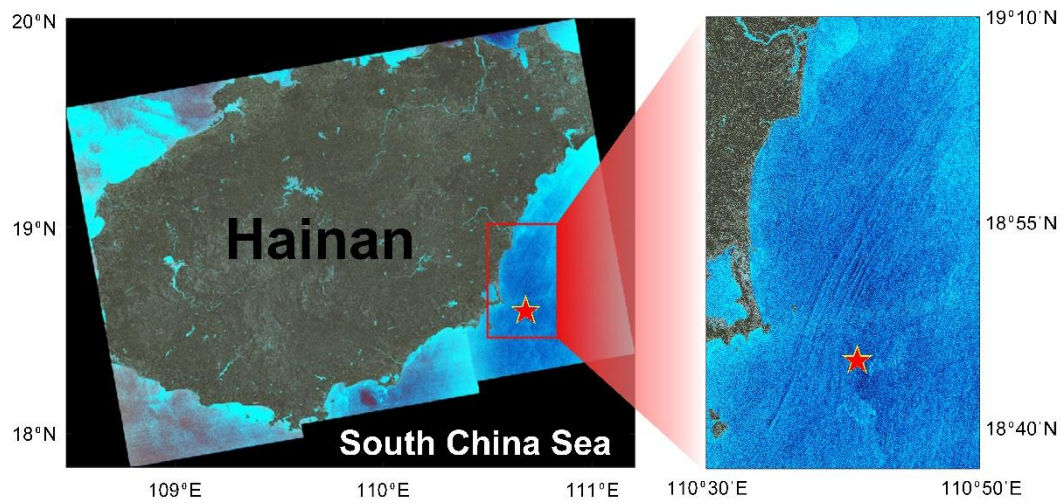
Fig. S1. Automatic removal of the sea foam. **a** Before, **b** after removal.



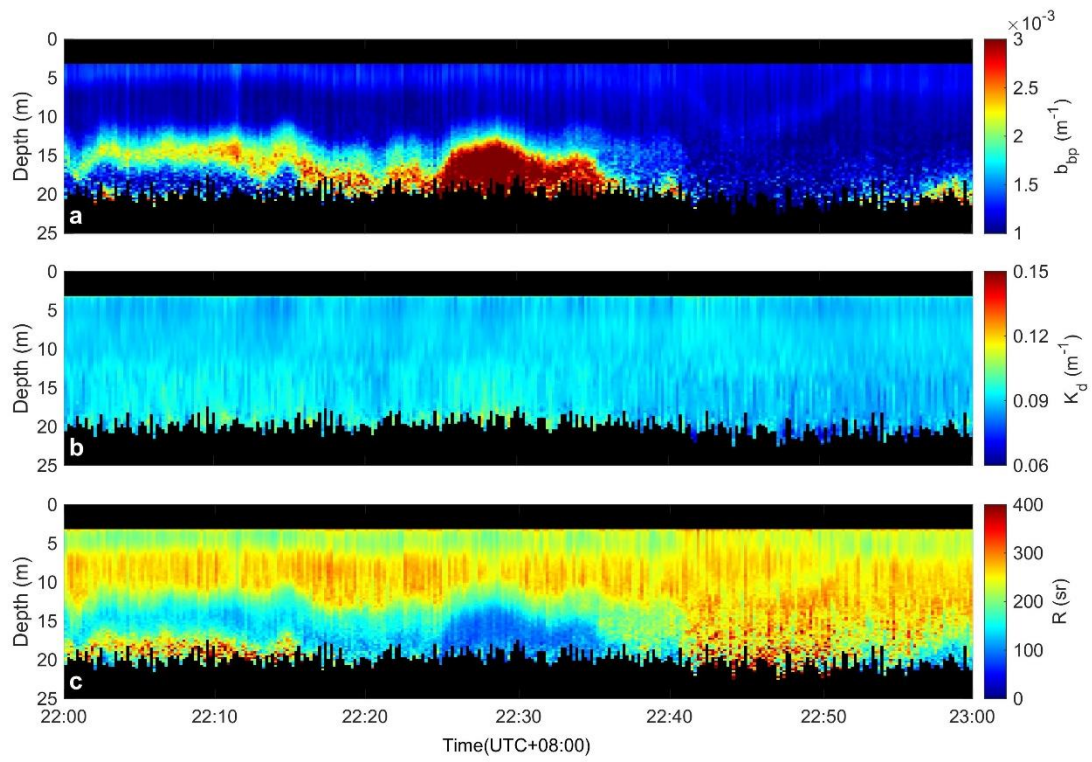
**Fig. S2. Denoising algorithm to remove the background and random noises. a** Molecular channel. **b** Combined channel.



**Fig. S3.** The scattering layer observed by the HSRL around (24.8265° N, 119.0669° E). **a** Particulate backscattering coefficient. **b** Diffuse attenuation coefficient. **c** Lidar ratio.

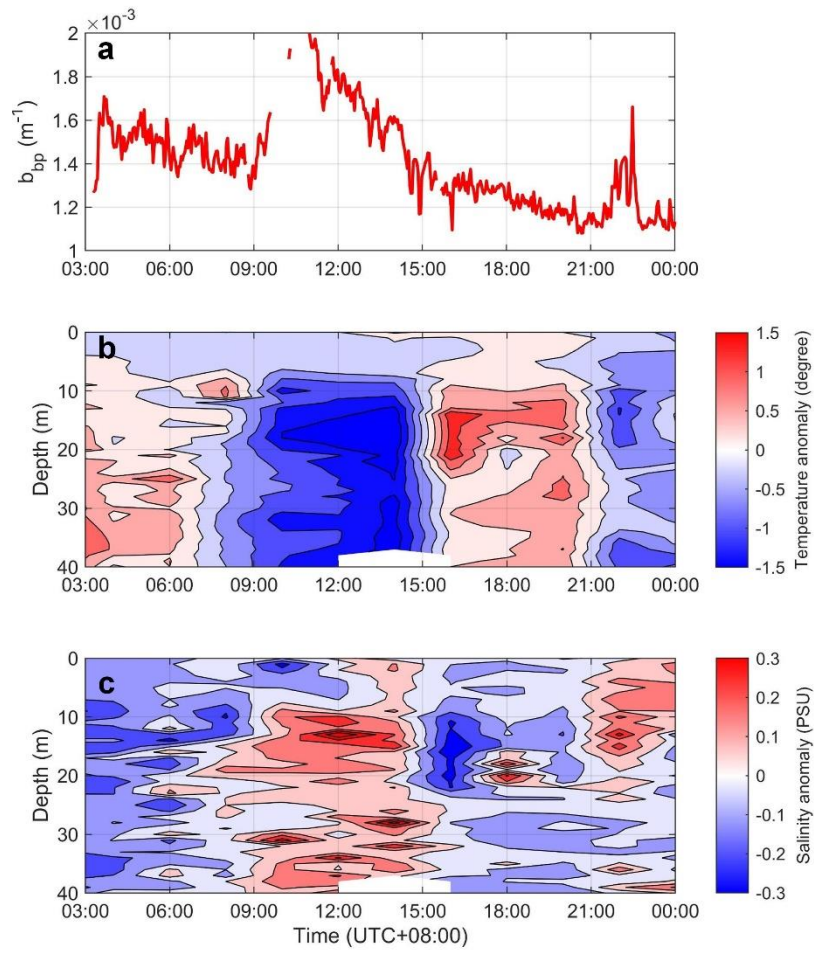


**Fig. S4. Internal waves.** Sentinel-1A Synthetic Aperture Radar quick-look image of internal waves in the Shimei Bay taken at the same day as the lidar observation (10:46:16 UTC on Sep. 14, 2020)<sup>1</sup> (copyright European Space Agency). Red star is the location of fixed station S<sub>6</sub>.

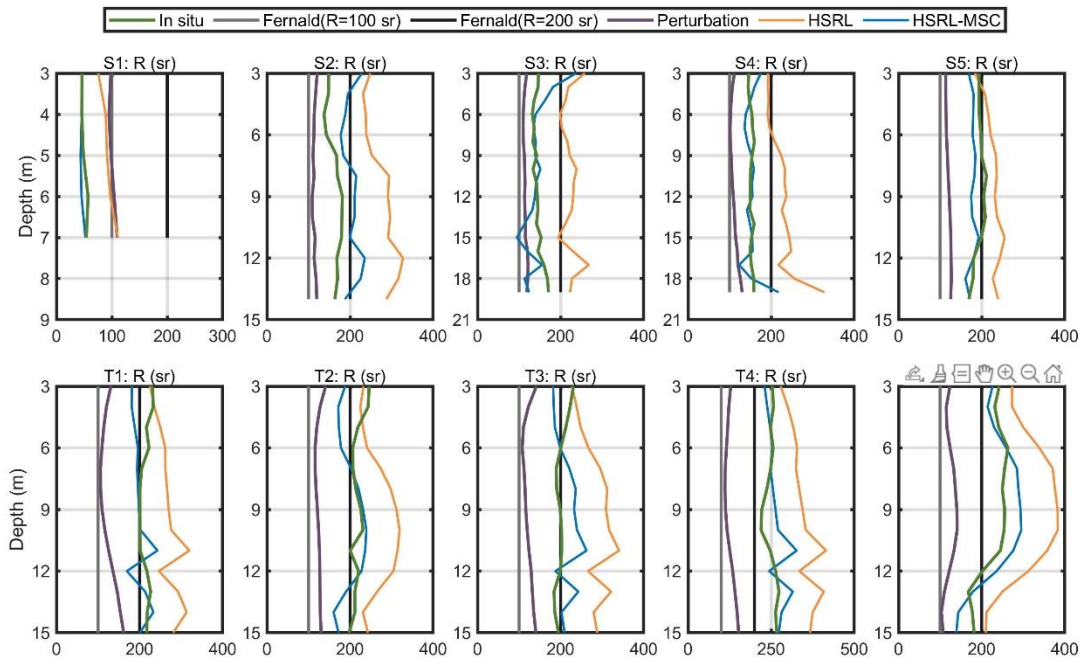


**Fig. S5.** The scattering layer observed by the HSRL around T5. **a** Particulate backscattering coefficient. **b** Diffuse attenuation coefficient. **c** Lidar ratio.



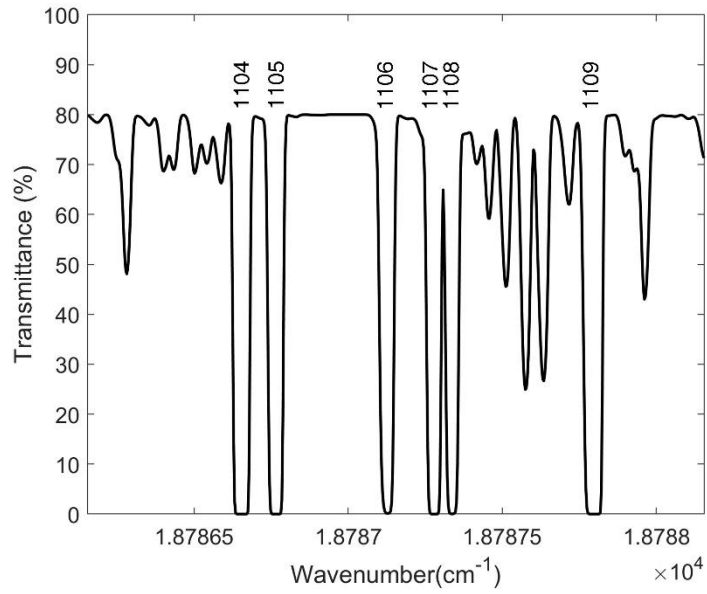


**Fig. S6.** **a** The average of particulate backscattering coefficient of HSRL within the depth of 5-15 m. Anomalies of **b** temperature, **c** salinity.

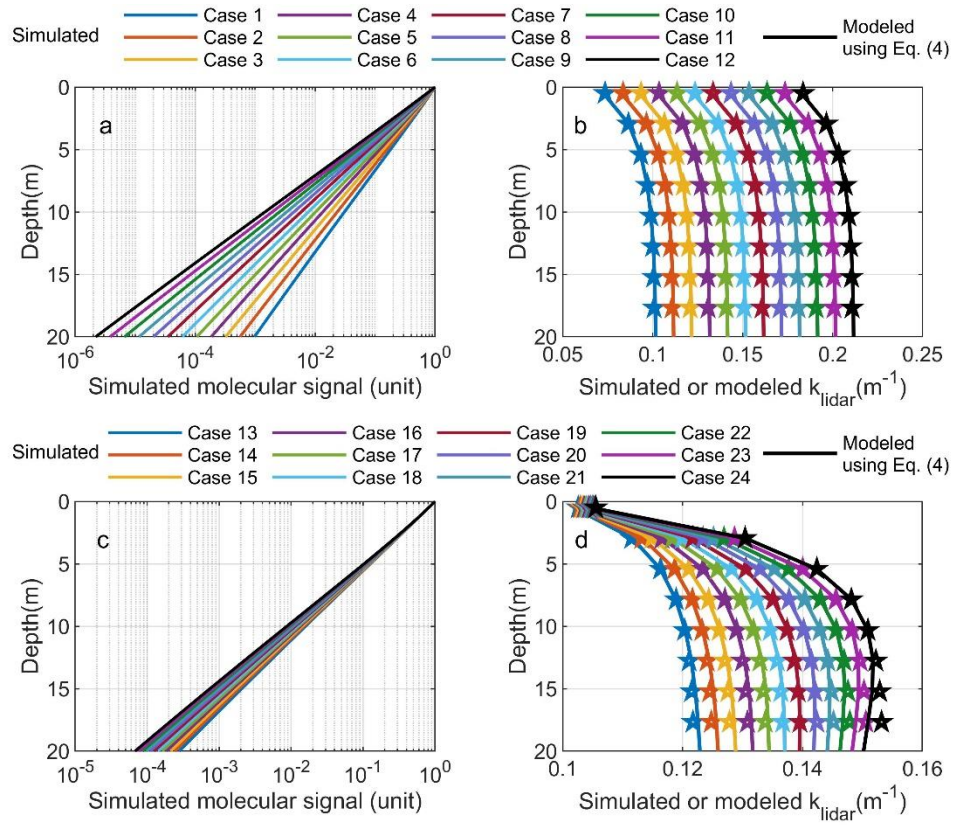


**Fig. S7.** The lidar ratio measured by the HSRL and *in situ* devices and assumed by the Fernald method and perturbation method.

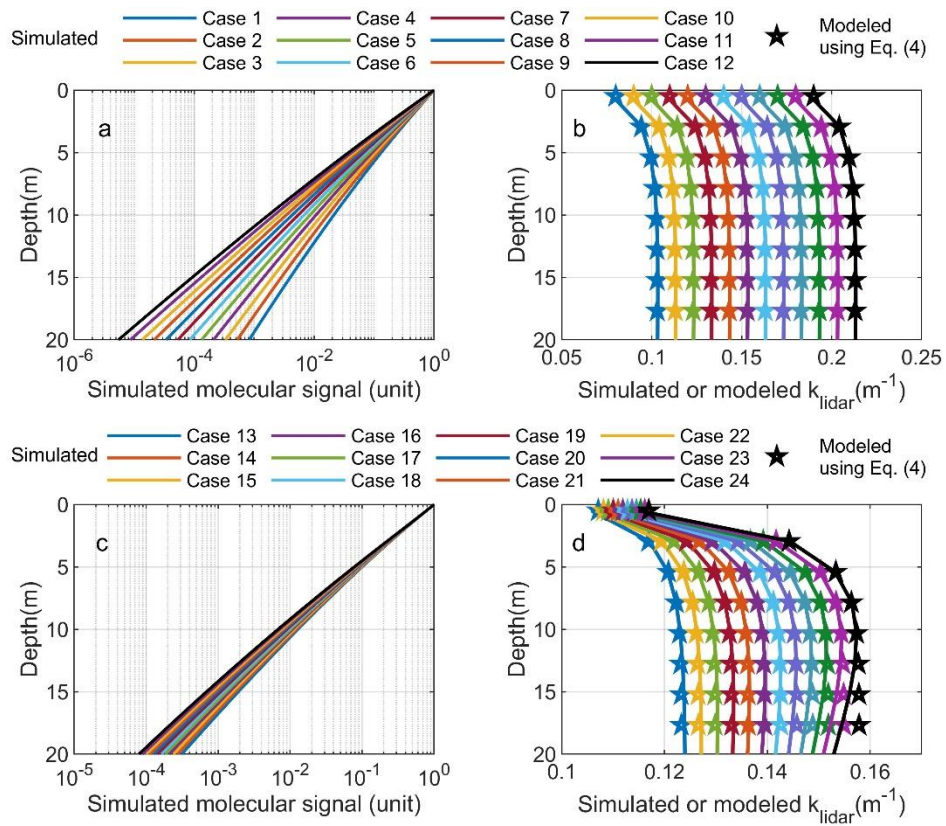




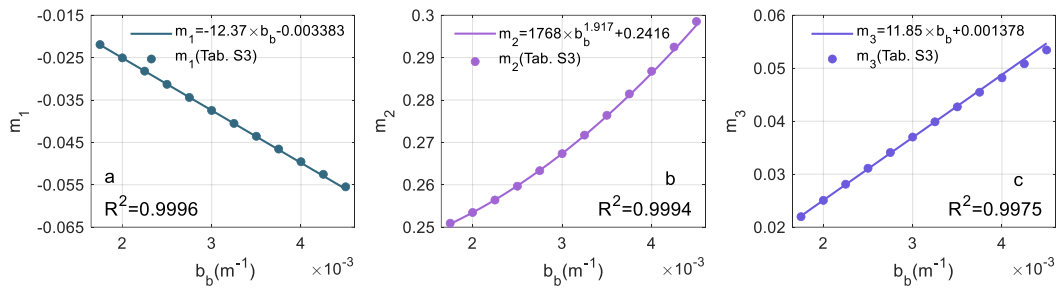
**Fig. S8. Iodine absorption cell.** **a** The picture of the packed iodine absorption cell integrated with the temperature controller. The light enters the device from the left and leaves from the right. **b** The absorption lines of iodine cell that might be employed in the HSRL.



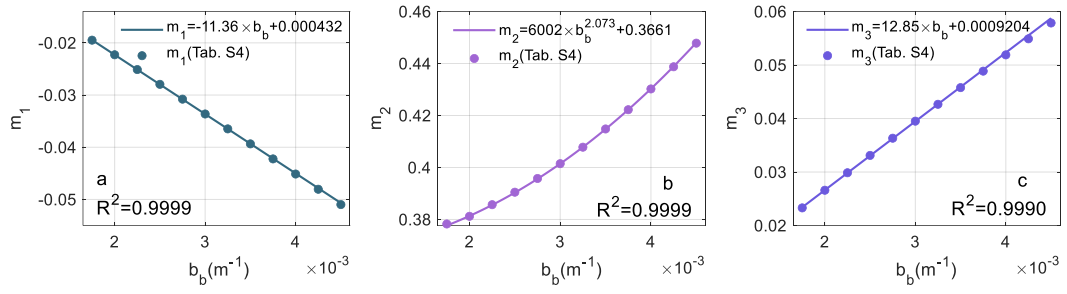
**Fig. S9. Simulation under HSRL conditions in underway observation.** a and c are molecular signals. b and d are  $k_{\text{lidar}}$  derived from Eq. (3). The simulation conditions for IOPs are listed in Table S2.



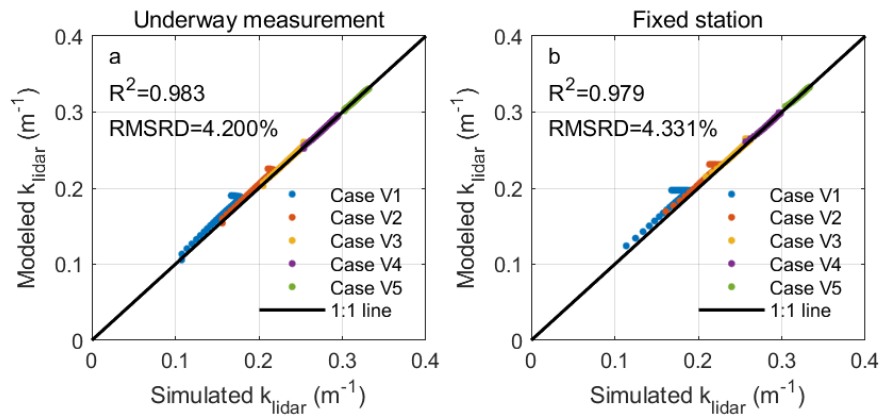
**Fig. S10. Simulation under HSRL conditions at the fixed station.** a and c are molecular signals. b and d are  $k_{\text{lidar}}$  derived from Eq. (3). The simulation conditions for IOPs are listed in Table S2.



**Fig. S11.** Relationship between parameters **a**  $m_1$ , **b**  $m_2$  and **c**  $m_3$  and backscattering coefficient in underway measurement

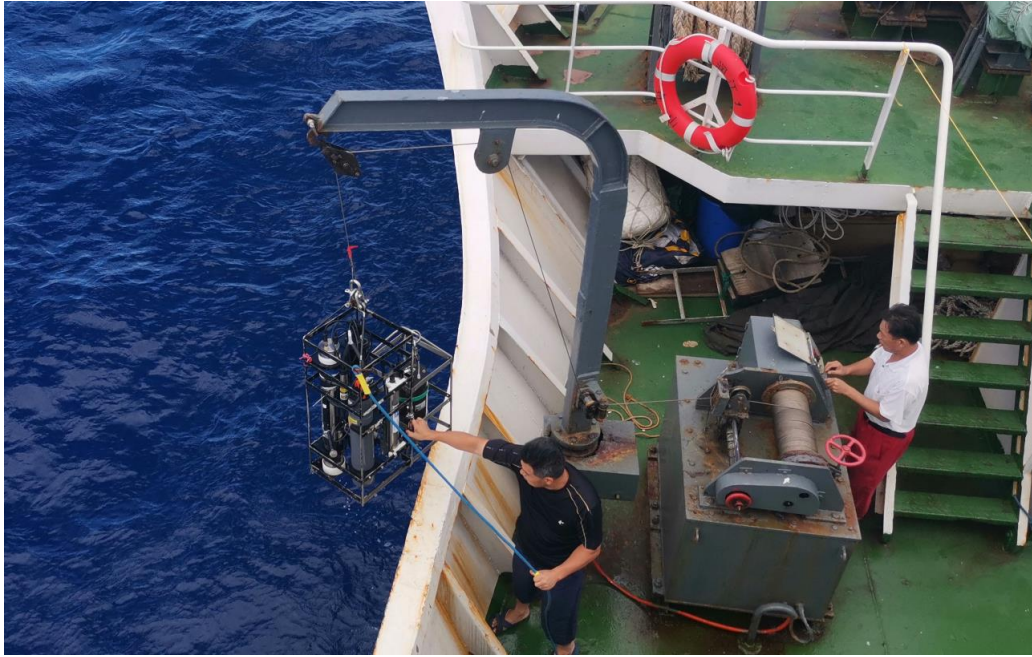


**Fig. S12.** Relationship between parameters **a**  $m_1$ , **b**  $m_2$  and **c**  $m_3$  and backscattering coefficient at the fixed station



**Fig. S13. Comparison between simulated and modeled  $k_{\text{lidar}}$ .** **a** Underway measurement. **b** Fixed station. The simulation conditions for IOPs are listed in Table S4.





**Fig. S14.** *In situ* instruments were put into the seawater by a winch.

Tab. S1 Key parameters of oceanic HSRL

Parameter	Value	Unit
<b>Transmitter</b>		
Wavelength	532.2928	nm
Spectral bandwidth	75	MHz
Spectral stability	15	MHz
Pulse energy	10	mJ
Pulse width	10	ns
Pulse repetition rate	10	Hz
Beam divergence	1	mrad
<b>Receiver</b>		
Aperture diameter	50.8	mm
Field of view	200	mrad
Optical filter bandwidth	3	nm
Iodine cell absorption line	1104	-
Sample rate	400	MSa/s
Electronic bandwidth	100	MHz

Tab. S2 IOPs in simulation of molecular signals for establishing model

Case	absorption coefficient $a$ ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ )	backscattering coefficient $b$ ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ )	backscattering coefficient $b_b$ ( $\text{m}^{-1}$ )
1	0.07	0.10	0.0025
2	0.08	0.10	0.0025
3	0.09	0.10	0.0025
4	0.10	0.10	0.0025
5	0.11	0.10	0.0025
6	0.12	0.10	0.0025
7	0.13	0.10	0.0025
8	0.14	0.10	0.0025
9	0.15	0.10	0.0025
10	0.16	0.10	0.0025
11	0.17	0.10	0.0025
12	0.18	0.10	0.0025
13	0.10	0.07	0.00175
14	0.10	0.08	0.002
15	0.10	0.09	0.00225
16	0.10	0.10	0.0025
17	0.10	0.11	0.00275
18	0.10	0.12	0.003
19	0.10	0.13	0.00325
20	0.10	0.14	0.0035
21	0.10	0.15	0.00375
22	0.10	0.16	0.004
23	0.10	0.17	0.00425
24	0.10	0.18	0.0045

Tab. S3  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ ,  $m_3$  and  $R^2$  under HSRL conditions in underway observation

Case	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$	$R^2$
1	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
2	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
3	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
4	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
5	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
6	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
7	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
8	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
9	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
10	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
11	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.9997
12	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
13	-0.0219	0.2509	0.0220	0.992
14	-0.0251	0.2535	0.0251	0.994
15	-0.0282	0.2564	0.0281	0.996
16	-0.0313	0.2597	0.0311	0.997
17	-0.0344	0.2633	0.0341	0.998
18	-0.0375	0.2673	0.0370	0.999
19	-0.0405	0.2717	0.0399	0.999
20	-0.0436	0.2764	0.0427	0.999
21	-0.0466	0.2814	0.0455	0.998
22	-0.0496	0.2868	0.0482	0.996
23	-0.0525	0.2925	0.0508	0.993
24	-0.0555	0.2985	0.0534	0.990

Tab. S4  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ ,  $m_3$  and  $R^2$  under HSRL conditions at fixed station

Case	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$	$R^2$
1	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
2	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
3	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
4	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
5	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
6	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
7	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
8	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
9	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
10	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
11	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
12	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
13	-0.0195	0.3783	0.0233	0.988
14	-0.0223	0.3812	0.0266	0.990
15	-0.0251	0.3857	0.0299	0.992
16	-0.0279	0.3905	0.0331	0.994
17	-0.0308	0.3958	0.0363	0.995
18	-0.0336	0.4015	0.0395	0.995
19	-0.0365	0.4079	0.0427	0.994
20	-0.0394	0.4148	0.0458	0.992
21	-0.0422	0.4222	0.0489	0.988
22	-0.0451	0.4302	0.0519	0.984
23	-0.0480	0.4387	0.0549	0.976
24	-0.0510	0.4478	0.0579	0.966

**Tab. S5 IOPs in simulation of molecular signals for validating model**

<b>Case</b>	<b>absorption coefficient <math>a</math> (<math>\text{m}^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>backscattering coefficient <math>b</math> (<math>\text{m}^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>backscattering coefficient <math>b_b</math> (<math>\text{m}^{-1}</math>)</b>
<b>V1</b>	0.1	0.3	0.0075
<b>V2</b>	0.15	0.25	0.00625
<b>V3</b>	0.2	0.2	0.005
<b>V4</b>	0.25	0.15	0.00375
<b>V5</b>	0.3	0.1	0.0025



Section S1:

Lidar signals are dependent on the backscatter and attenuation. Therefore, it is an ill-posed problem to retrieve two properties from one equation. Fernald method was initially developed in the atmospheric lidar <sup>2</sup> with the assumption of the lidar backscatter to extinction ratio. Recently, Fernald method was employed into the lidar for detection of water optical properties <sup>3</sup>. Theoretical and experimental results show that the lidar attenuation coefficient is close to diffuse attenuation coefficient  $K_d$  when the field of view of the HSRL is large. Then,  $K_d$  can be calculated from the signal  $B_C$  of the combined channel of HSRL as

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_d(z) &= K_{d,p}(z) + K_{d,w}(z) \\
 &= (1 - R_S)K_{d,w}(z) + \frac{B_C(z)\Phi(z)}{\frac{B_C(z_c)}{K_{d,p}(z_c) + R_S K_{d,w}(z_c)} + 2 \int_z^{z_c} B_C(z)\Phi(z)dz} \quad (S1)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $z$  is the depth,  $K_{d,p}$  and  $K_{d,w}$  are the diffuse attenuation coefficient of the suspended matter and pure seawater, respectively,  $R_S$  is the ratio between the lidar ratios of the suspended matter  $R$  and water molecules  $R_w$ ,  $\Phi(z) = \exp\left[2(R_S - 1) \int_z^{z_c} K_{d,m}(z)dz\right]$ ,  $z_c$  is the boundary depth and  $K_{d,p}(z_c)$  can be estimated by the slope method.

## Section S2:

*In situ* instruments were put into the seawater by a winch to collect inherent optical properties, as shown in Fig. S14. WETLabs acs was used to collect the absorption coefficient and beam attenuation coefficient at 532 nm. The pure water absorption and attenuation were corrected considering the changes due to the temperature and salinity. The coincident temperature, salinity, and depth data were provided by a Sea-Bird Electronics, Inc. (SBE) conductivity-temperature-depth (CTD). The scattering errors in the particulate absorption measurement were corrected <sup>4</sup>. The backscattering coefficient at 510 nm was measured by HOBILabs HS6P using the scattering at a given angle of ~140 degrees. Sigma correction was done according to the HOBILabs operation manual <sup>5</sup>. Because of the absence of 532 nm data of HS6P, the backscattering at 532 nm was estimated by that at 510 nm through a factor of (532/510). The transfer error is limited because 532 nm is very close to 510 nm. The *in situ*  $K_d$  was calculated according to the algorithm by Lee <sup>6</sup> from the *in situ* absorption and backscattering coefficients. Through the quality control, all *in situ* data were then binned to depth resolution of 1 m.

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