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Thermo Fisher introduces next generation TruNarc handheld narcotics analysers

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Devices identify more than 1,200 substances such as fentanyl and methamphetamine in seconds



Thermo Fisher Scientific, the world leader in serving science, has introduced the Thermo Scientific™ TruNarc™ Delta and Tau Handheld Narcotics Analysers to help communities combat known and emerging narcotics and illicit substances.

With touchless technology and an expanded chemical library, the user-friendly devices empower frontline law enforcement officials to identify more than 1,200 substances in the field, including stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens and analgesics – even at low concentrations or in mixtures – in seconds.

The new TruNarc analysers build on the first generation with an updated industrial design, improved and modernized user interface, and performance enhancements that enable faster results. Automated record keeping generates documentation with complete scan data, including time-and-date stamps, to expedite prosecution and secure legal integrity. As drug substances continue to evolve and become harder to identify, the on-device chemical library of the TruNarc analyser is updated regularly to keep pace with new and emerging illicit drug threats.

Richard McCartney, President of chemical analysis at Thermo Fisher Scientific said, “As the opioid crisis persists, there’s a clear need for enhanced tools that better support public safety. By building on our proven technology, we are equipping those in the field with lab-quality tools that are durable enough to be used in a variety of environments.”