Innovative Technological Solutions for Detecting Prohibited Items and Substances in Prisons



Prisons face a significant challenge in detecting prohibited substances and items brought in by visitors or sent in packages. In 2022, prisons received more than 11,000 visitors, at least 3,000 of whom took part in long-term visits with prisoners. Statistics show that the number of criminal proceedings related to narcotic substances increased by 345% in 2022 compared with the previous year. Most of these proceedings were initiated after prisoners who had participated in long-term visits tested positive in urine tests.

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