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This short guide provides a brief background to Electronic Laboratory Notebooks with a specific focus on the factors that need to be taken into consideration when undertaking a project to transition from the bound paper laboratory notebook.

The guide does not go in to great detail, as this can be readily obtained through various on-line resources, conference presentations, vendors and consultants. Furthermore, in an era of constant change, the incorporation of too much detail could mean that the guide would rapidly become out of date.

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