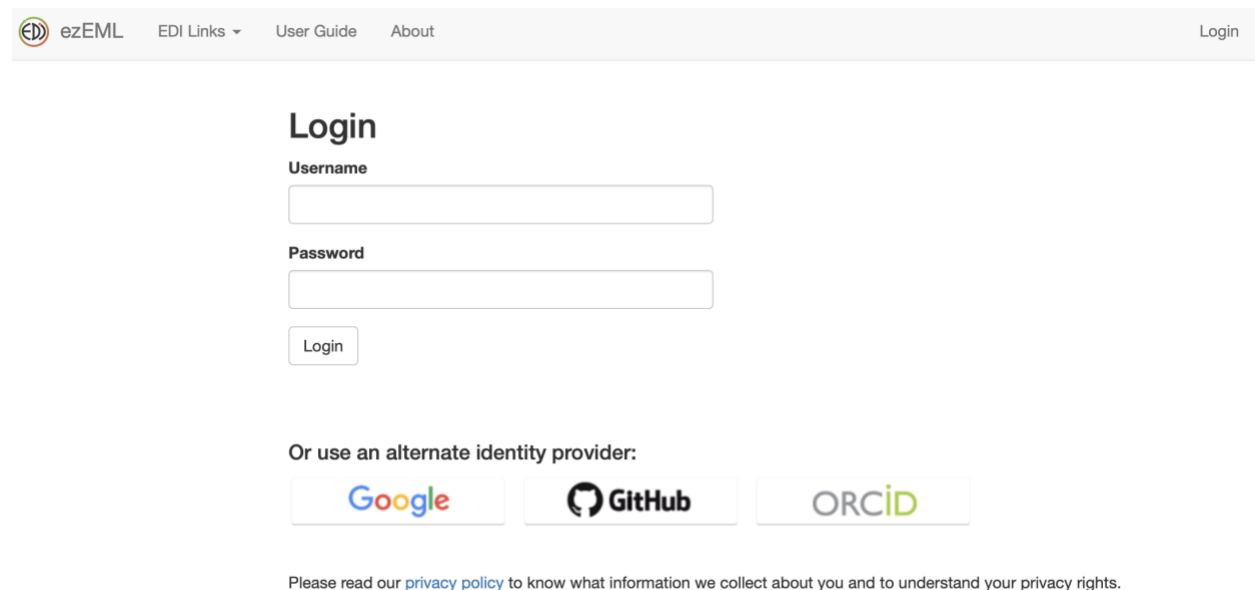


## Getting Started

To use ezEML, you need to log in. You can use an account obtained from EDI, the Environmental Data Initiative. Accounts are free and can be obtained by emailing [support@environmentaldatainitiative.org](mailto:support@environmentaldatainitiative.org).

Alternatively, you can log in via an account you have with Google, GitHub, or ORCID.

To log in, click the **Login** link at the top right of the ezEML page, which will take you to a screen like:



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Username

Password

Login

Or use an alternate identity provider:

Google GitHub ORCID

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Enter your username and password and click **Login** or click one of the alternate identity providers and login there.

You can create a new EML document or open an existing one. As discussed in “ezEML’s Place in the Data Workflow” in this User Guide, you’ll find it helpful if you’ve organized and cleaned your data in advance and saved the data tables in CSV (comma-separated text) files. That will allow you to upload the data tables to ezEML, which can then analyze them and infer many of the data attributes needed for the EML document, saving you from having to enter them manually.

**Please note:** ezEML stores your EML documents according to your login information. If you create an EML document under a particular account, when you log in in the future under that same account you will see that ezEML “knows about” the previously created EML document. If you log in using a different account, however, ezEML will not be able to recognize you as the same user who created the earlier document, so you won’t have access to it.