Subject: Should I get an Audio-Technics AT-PL120? Posted by Mark J. on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 19:34:29 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi,all. I hope someone can help me decide if this is the right turntable for me. I am asking for a turntable for Christmas, and I'm having a tough time figuring out which one. All manual is fine, but I require a cue lever, and I like being able to adjust the counterweight, anti-skating,etc. so many don't have a cue lever. I'll be connecting directly to my computer to convert to wav files, but I don't like the cheap USB turntables I've seen everywhere. My budget is around \$200-\$250 (I know, it's not much for a turntable), and I've got my eye on the Audio-Technica AT-PL120. I read good things about it, but I'm afraid of ground loop hum, as some people seem to have this problem with that model, and others do not. Anybody have any advice? If I had to pick up a cheap pre-amp in order to filter out the hum, I would, even though it has one built in, but what scares me is that the AT-PL120 has no ground wire. Should I be concerned? Other than that, I like everything else about it (except the hard-wired cables). Are there other models I should consider with similar features, or is this the best value (\$170 at Amazon)?

