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- For Babar **facts**, see Quarrie talk at Marseille. (show DQ 26 from lcb99.in2p3.fr/DQuarrie.ppt)
- Assuming (as suggested by latest Babar and other experience) that Objy can work in HEP environment, there are still serious questions arising from size of OODBMS market and prospect of single-source supplier. These are commented on in RD45 report Ch. 11.

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- A plausible scenario is that Objy could remain the only viable commercial OODBMS product for foreseeable future.
- Continued use of Objy in such a scenario would require readiness to implement a fall-back on time-scale of X months.
- Alternatively, market and Objy could 'take-off' ……

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- **Possible** way forward:
  - Support for existing Objy usage: Support group
  - Assessment of needs, plus continuing dialogue with Objy company, leading to recommendations: RD45
    …but **must** ensure commitment and input into this process from the LHC experiments, and from other areas of relevant expertise.
  - IF development of `home-grown' product: new project.