

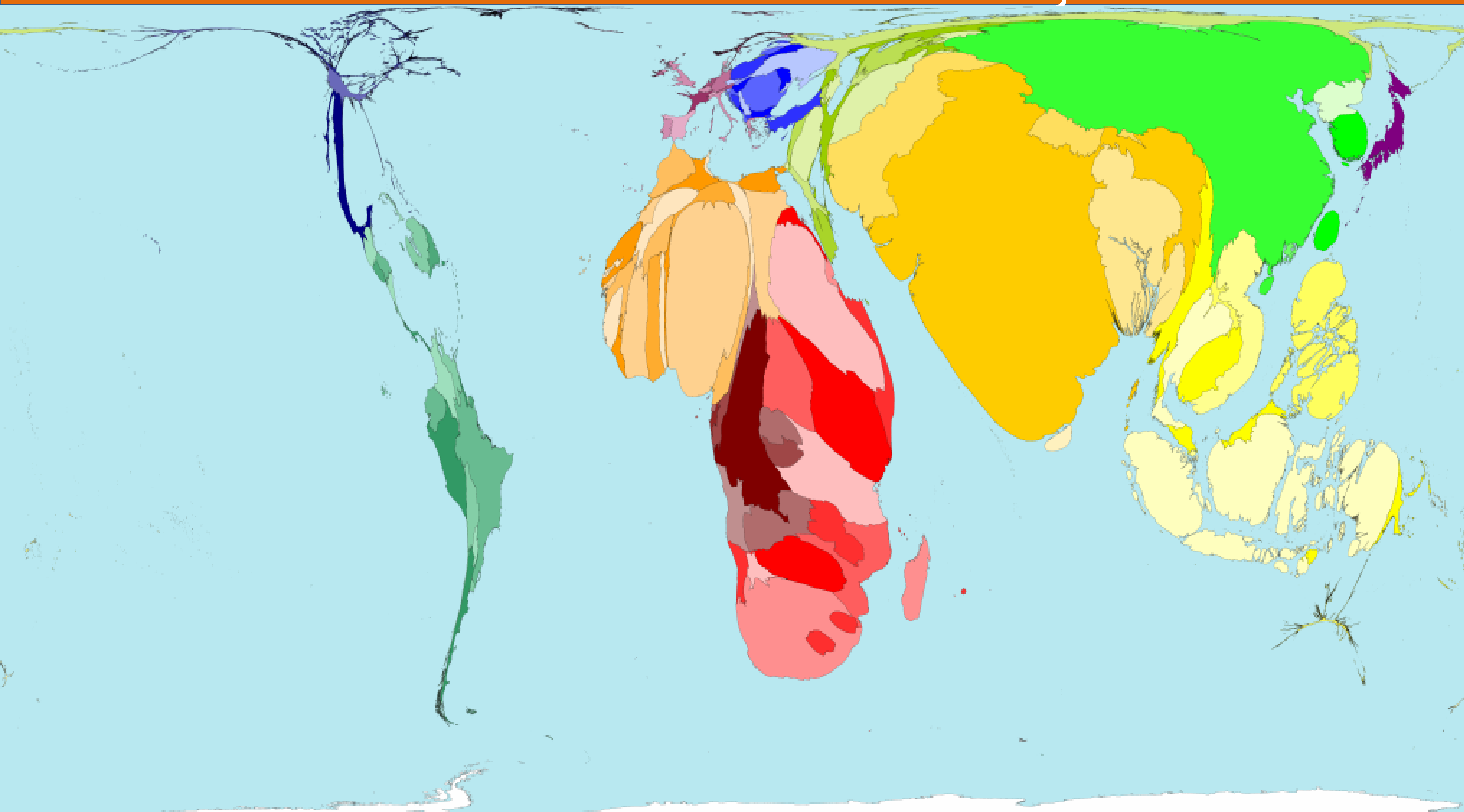


# TB OR NOT TB? - *THAT IS THE ERROR!*

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TB has been one of the most significant global pathogens in terms of human morbidity and mortality: **8.8 million** incident cases and **1.45 million** deaths globally each year. However, the distribution of this affliction worldwide is very uneven.



While TB is rare to encounter in the Western World, it is a common disease in Romania.

In spite of this, atypical presentations of the disease can lead physicians to diagnostic errors. In order to counteract this deficiency, it is recommended to encourage:

- ❖ **Patient involvement in the diagnosis process**
- ❖ **Patient-doctor collaboration**

The increasing number of MDR-TB cases is also due to the diagnostic errors.