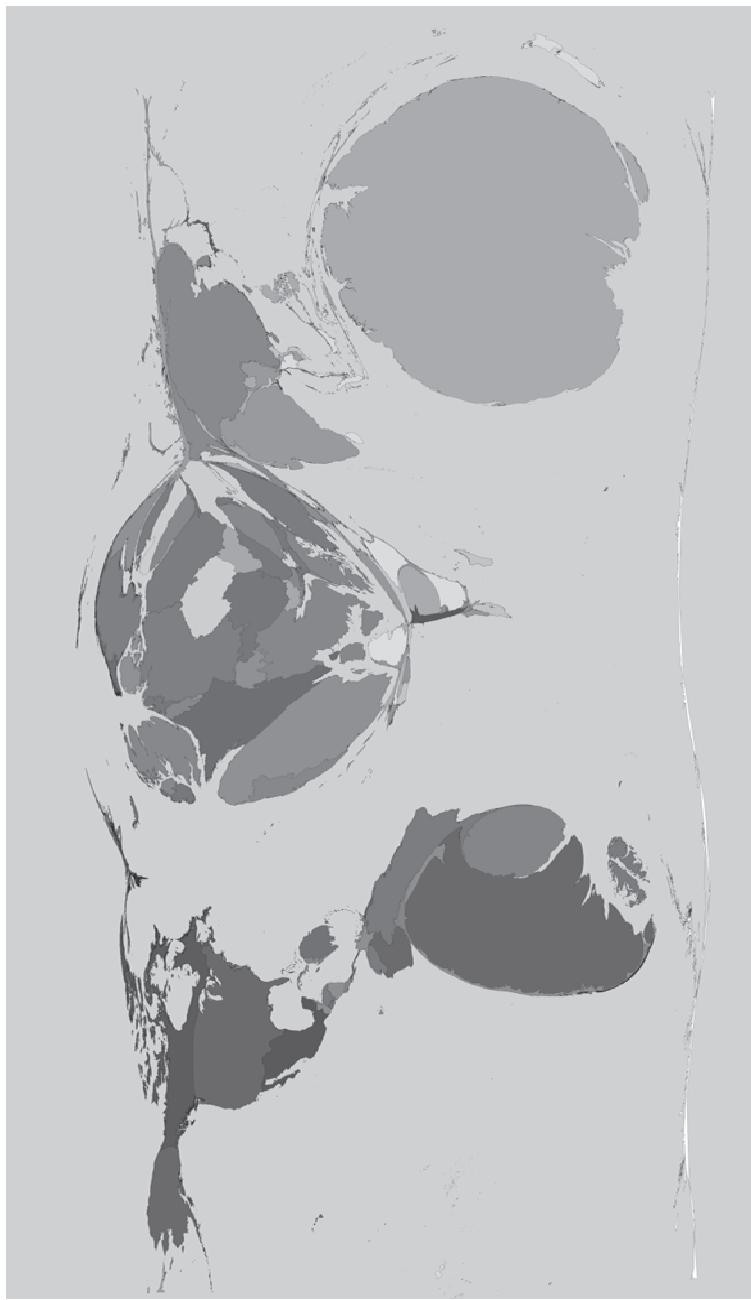


The World of Organic Agriculture – Density-equalizing map

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Map 2: The World Map of Organic Agriculture

The World Map of Organic Agriculture presents countries as proportional in size to their share of the total of world organic hectares. Such a map can be referred to as an equal-area cartogram or a density-equalizing map. Equal-density cartograms are a tool for presenting a fresh view of tabulated geographic data sets. The World Map of Organic Agriculture accounts for all of the hectares of organically managed agricultural land (certified organic and in-conversion organic) reported by FiBL and IFOAM in "The World of Organic Agriculture - Statistics & Emerging Trends 2013". The map visually reveals relationships between the territories of the world and highlights the regional strengths and weaknesses of the global diffusion of organic agriculture. The World Map of Organic Agriculture is generated by the WorldMapper GIS algorithm developed at the University of Sheffield as a cartographic visualisation tool.