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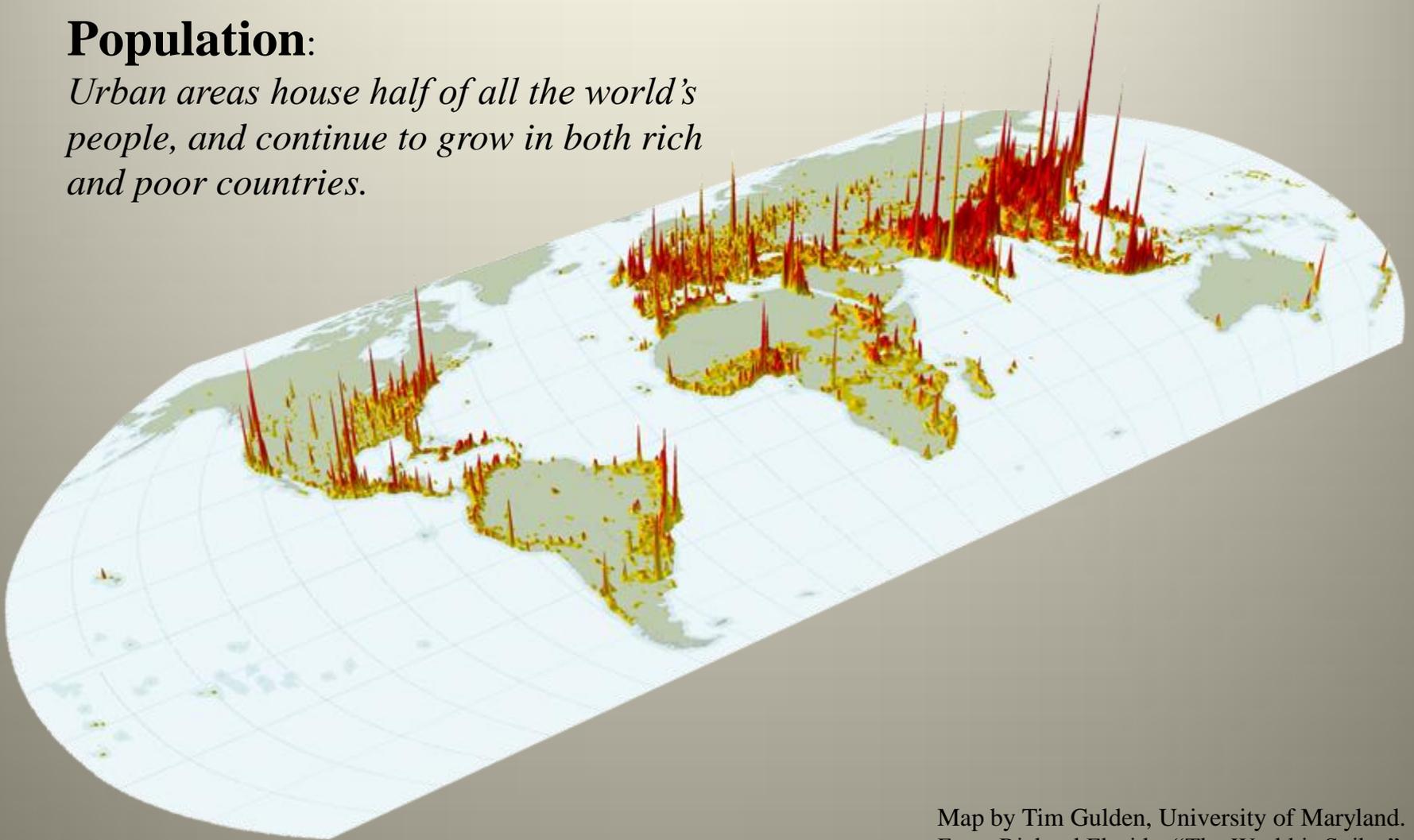


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Population:

Urban areas house half of all the world's people, and continue to grow in both rich and poor countries.



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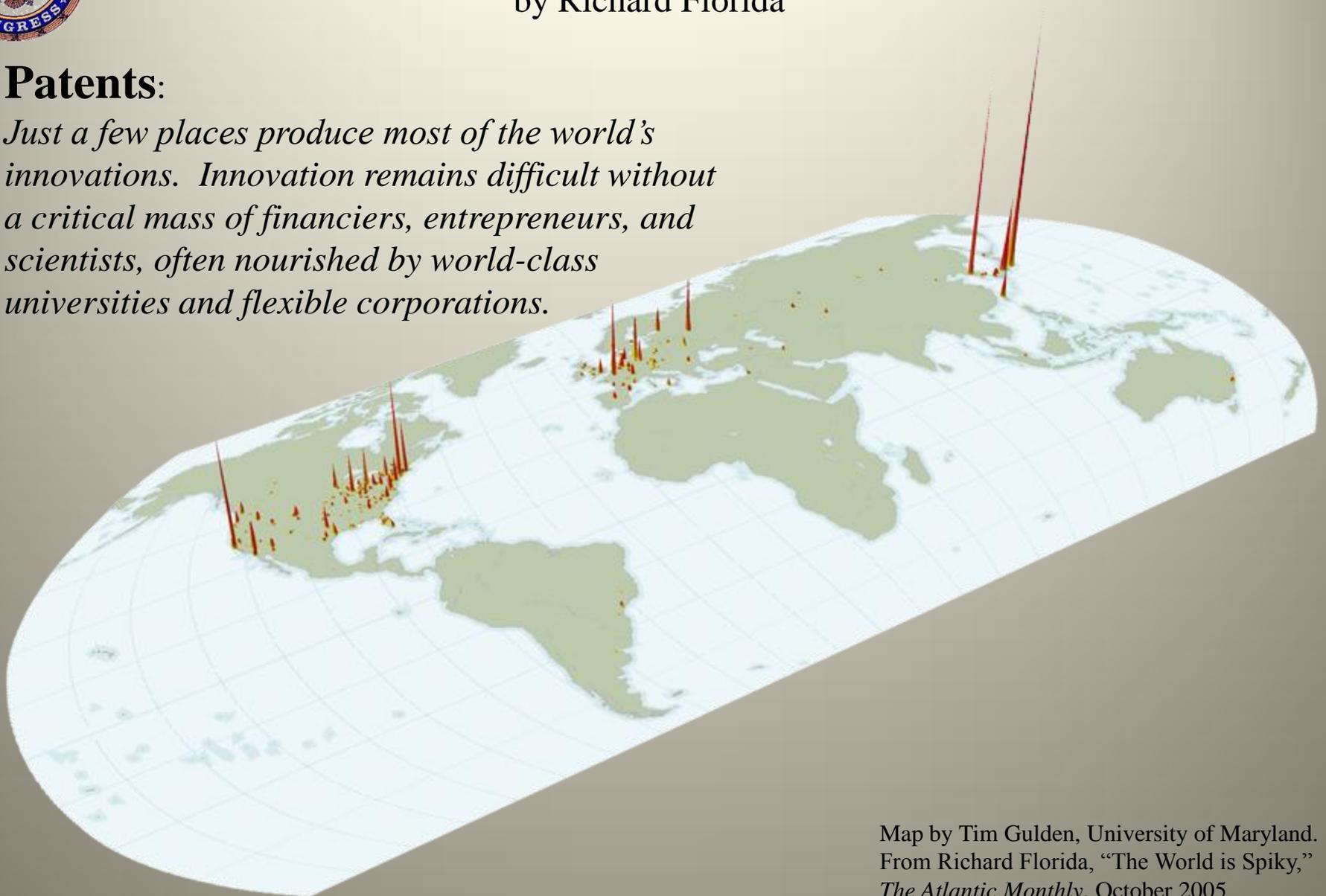


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Patents:

Just a few places produce most of the world's innovations. Innovation remains difficult without a critical mass of financiers, entrepreneurs, and scientists, often nourished by world-class universities and flexible corporations.



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Scientific Citations:

The world's most prolific and influential scientific researchers overwhelmingly reside in U.S. and European cities.



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Economic Production (GDP)

