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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$243r^4 \leq w_a^3 r_a + w_b^3 r_b + w_c^3 r_c \leq \left(\frac{3Rs}{2}\right)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} w_a^3 r_a &\stackrel{w_a \leq \sqrt{s(s-a)}}{\leq} s(s-a) \sqrt{s(s-a)} \frac{F}{s-a} = Fs\sqrt{s} \sqrt{s-a} \\ w_a^3 r_a + w_b^3 r_b + w_c^3 r_c &= \sum w_a^3 r_a \leq Fs\sqrt{s} \sum \sqrt{s-a} \stackrel{CBS}{\leq} \\ &\leq rs^2 \sqrt{s} \sqrt{3(s-a+s-b+s-c)} = rs^3 \sqrt{3} \stackrel{Euler \& Mitrinovic}{\leq} \frac{R}{2} s^2 \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} R \sqrt{3} = \left(\frac{3Rs}{2}\right)^2 \\ w_a w_b w_c &\geq h_a h_b h_c \stackrel{GM-HM}{\geq} \left(\frac{3}{\frac{1}{h_a} + \frac{1}{h_b} + \frac{1}{h_c}}\right)^2 = (3r)^3 = 27r^3 \\ w_a^3 r_a + w_b^3 r_b + w_c^3 r_c &\stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3w_a w_b w_c \sqrt[3]{r_a r_b r_c} \geq \\ &\geq 3 \cdot 27r^3 \sqrt[3]{s^2 r} \stackrel{Mitrinovic}{\geq} 81r^3 \sqrt[3]{27r^3} = 243r^4 \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.