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In ΔABC the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{h_a}{r_a + r_b + r_c} > \frac{r}{2R}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \sum ab - \sum a^2 = \\ & = 2(s^2 + r^2 + 4Rr) - 2(s^2 - r^2 - 4Rr) = \\ & = 4r(4R + r) \quad (1) a^2 + (b + c)^2 \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 2a(b + c) \quad (2) \\ & \text{we need to show} \\ & \frac{h_a}{r_a + r_b + r_c} > \frac{r}{2R} \quad \text{or,} \\ & \frac{bc}{(4R + r)2R} > \frac{r}{2R} \quad \text{or, } bc > r(4R + r) \quad \text{or,} \\ & 4bc > 4r(4R + r) \quad \text{or,} \\ & 4bc > 2 \sum ab - \sum a^2 \\ & \text{or, } \sum a^2 + 4bc > 2 \sum ab \quad \text{or,} \\ & \sum a^2 + 2bc > 2ab + 2ac \quad \text{or,} \\ & (b^2 + 2bc + c^2) + a^2 > 2a(b + c) \quad \text{or,} \\ & a^2 + (b + c)^2 > 2a(b + c) \quad \text{true (using (2))} \end{aligned}$$