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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{b}{a^2 c^2} \left(a^2(b+c) + b^2(c+a) + c^2(a+b) \right) \geq \frac{6 \sin^3 B}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \left(a^2(b+c) + b^2(c+a) + c^2(a+b) \right) &= \left(\sum a^2 \right) \left(\sum a \right) - \sum a^3 = \\ &= 2s(2s^2 - 2r^2 - 8Rr - s^2 + 3r^2 + 6Rr) = \\ &= 2s(s^2 + r^2 - 2Rr) \stackrel{\text{Gerretsen}}{\geq} 2s(16Rr - 5r^2 + r^2 - 2Rr) = 2s(14Rr - 4r^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{6 \sin^3 B}{\cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} \cos \frac{C}{2}} = \frac{6b^3}{8R^3} \cdot \frac{4R}{s} = \frac{3b^3}{R^2 s}$$

We need to show:

$$\frac{b}{a^2 c^2} 2s(14Rr - 4r^2) \geq \frac{3b^3}{R^2 s} \text{ or } \frac{2s^2 R^2}{a^2 b^2 c^2} (14Rr - 4r^2) \geq 3$$

$$\frac{2s^2 R^2}{16R^2 r^2 s^2} (14Rr - 4r^2) \geq 3 \text{ or } (14Rr - 4r^2) \geq 24r^2 \text{ or}$$

$$14Rr \geq 28r^2 \text{ or } R \geq 2r \text{ true.}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.