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In $\triangle ABC$ the following relationship holds:

$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right) \geq \sqrt[5]{\frac{12sr}{R^2}}$$

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$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} + \cos \frac{C}{2} \right) \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3 \sqrt[3]{\left(\cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2} \right)} = 2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{4R}}$$

$$\text{We need to show } 2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{4R}} \geq \sqrt[5]{\frac{12sr}{R^2}} \text{ or } \left(2 \sqrt[3]{\frac{s}{4R}} \right)^{15} \geq \left(\sqrt[5]{\frac{12sr}{R^2}} \right)^{15}$$

$$2^{15} \frac{s^5}{2^{10} R^5} \geq \frac{12^3 s^3 r^3}{R^6}$$

$$2^{15} \frac{s^5}{2^{10} R^5} \geq \frac{3^3 2^6 s^3 r^3}{R^6}$$

$$Rs^2 \geq 54r^3$$

$$R \cdot 27 r^2 \stackrel{\text{Mitrinovic}}{\geq} 54r^3$$

$$R \geq 2r \text{ (Euler)}$$

Equality holds for an equilateral triangle.