



*From left, Sober; Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD; Clarkson; and Benjamin Tregoe, president of getsugar*

## *A sister's mission for good skin health*

**W**hen **Melanie Clarkson** died at age 40 from malignant melanoma, an aggressive form of skin cancer, it became her sister Cheryl's mission to help find a cure for the disease. Today, Cheryl Clarkson is the president and chief executive officer of SkinHealth, a cosmetic skin treatment company, which recently joined forces with the MGH Cancer Center to raise money for melanoma research.

A portion of the revenue from SkinHealth's sunscreens – available for purchase at the Images Oncology Boutique in the Yawkey Center for Outpatient Care – are donated to the MGH Millennium Melanoma Fund. In addition, each time a customer purchases certain skin care services, SkinHealth and partner organization *getsugar*, a free service that offers subscribers special discounts to local spas, salons, boutiques and other businesses, will donate up to \$50 to the fund.

On July 12, Clarkson presented a check for \$4,238, representing the first installment of the donation to the MGH. Says Arthur Sober, MD, of MGH Dermatology, "We are grateful to SkinHealth and *getsugar* for helping to advance melanoma research and treatment at the MGH Cancer Center." ●