Finite Group Actions on Products of Spheres $\ddot{O}zg\ddot{u}n\ \ddot{U}nl\ddot{u}$

The study of finite group actions on products of spheres breaks up into two distinct aspects: Given a product of spheres M, (1) find group theoretic restrictions on finite groups that can act freely on M; and (2) construct explicit free actions of finite groups on M. I will give a quick overview of the first aspect of this topic. Then I will discuss the second aspect and describe a recent construction that we have done with Ergün Yalçın using fusion systems.